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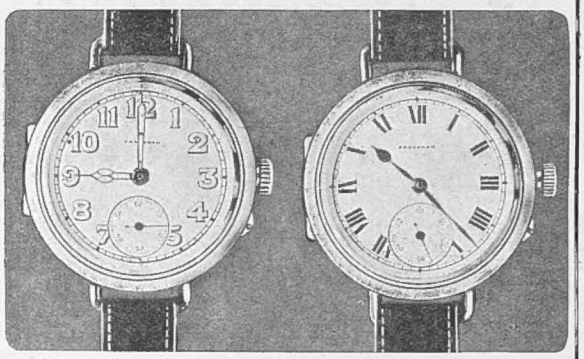

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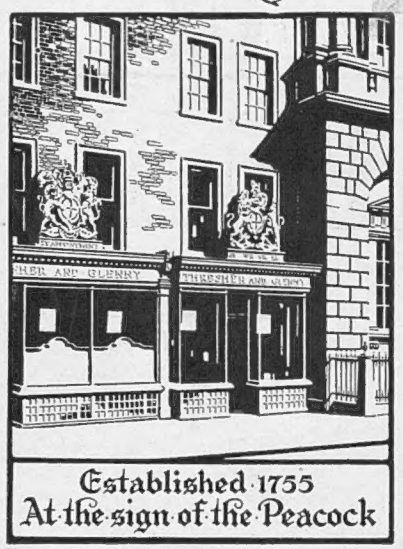

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"AFTER THE WAR"—WHEN TOMMY COMES HOME

"First job; where's that 'Conscientious Objector'?"

Bystander "AFTER THE WAR" COMMENTS

Conditional

This is an "after-the-war" number. The war isn't over, nor is it likely to be for some time to come, but lately the idea came to me that I would project my astral body into the future, and anticipate what my after-the-war sensations and opinions might possibly turn out to be; and what I am about to set down is the result of that curious and rather unsatisfying excursion into the problematical, written down before I had returned from the chilliness of astral surroundings to the warm-heartedness of present-day existence.

When We Were at War

It is curious to look back and realise how utterly wrong most of our ideas were, what shocking bad shots we mostly made at what "after-the-war" would be like. Take that famous question, "Daddy, what did you do in the Great War?" How has it worked out? A friend who fought in the war tells me he had expected this question from his little boy for years, and had prepared a jolly good reply to it. So good—so impressive in its record of what he had done—that impatience to work it off on his son overcame him, and taking the child aside he said to him, more in sorrow than in anger: "Brussels" (the boy was born on the day of the victory there), "why have you never asked me all these years, 'Daddy, what did you do in the Great War?'" Imagine the child's reply: "*What* great war, daddy?"

Horrors of Peace

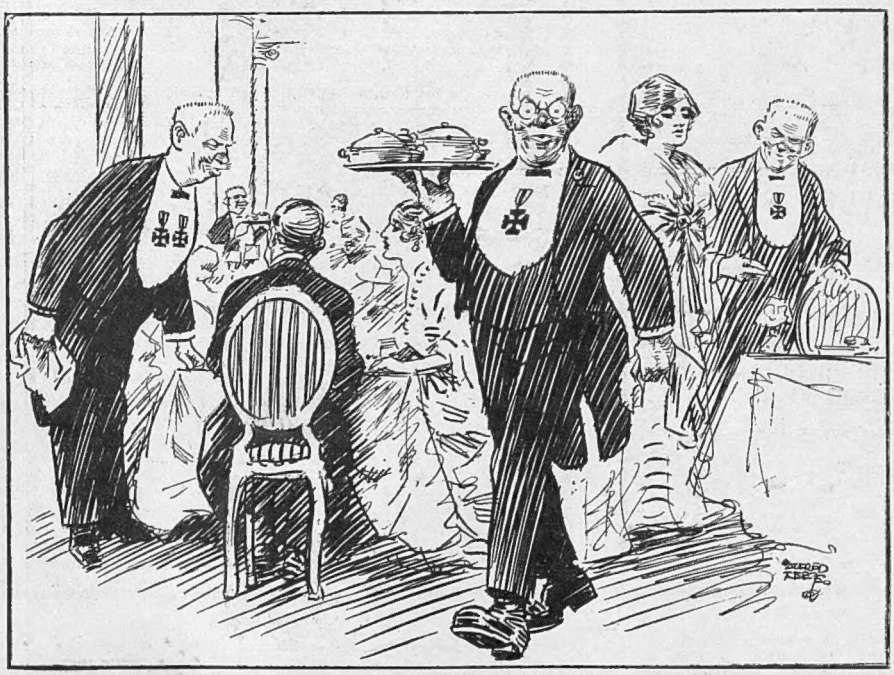
My friend says things are not at all what he had been led to expect when his local tribunal finally flung him out and he "got into khaki," as we used to say; and, of course, things aren't. One of the speakers at last month's Berlin dinner put it rather well when he said he called his cat Posterity because she was so infernally ungrateful. It reminds one of the young man in the Bayswater-Belfast air-'bus who was remonstrated with by an old gentleman for grumbling at modern conditions and rounded on him with, "All very well for you to talk! You were one of the lucky ones who lived during the war. Why, I was *born* in these 'ere peace conditions!"

When Germany Was in Europe

The hard fact is, of course, that every generation lives for itself and not for the next or those that follow, however much it may delude itself to the contrary. We of the Old Brigades hammered the Boche (as we used to call the enemy) out flat, not because we thought that posterity couldn't live with him, but because we knew dam well that *we* couldn't and weren't going to at any price. A schoolmaster I know tells me that he personally can't look at one of those old maps of Europe showing "Germany" and "Austria-Hungary" without beginning to boil with righteous fury just as we all used to in the old days; but he shows it to his pupils and it leaves them cold—absolutely stone cold. My own experience is the same. The only enthusiasm over one of the old maps I ever raised in the modern boy was in the case of a nephew who said *he wished it was like that now,* as "it would be rippingly easy compared with *swotting up all these rotten little States!*"

Things That Matter

There you have it! We wiped Germany off the map because she was an abomination to *us* and we made the mistake of our lives if we thought the next generations were going to do nothing but adore us. That bullying case in the courts last week illustrated the point, and turned on much the same principle as that of my nephew, just cited. A boy, you will remember, instructed by his father, told his schoolfellows that his father was one of the men who made the map of Europe what it is. After the next geography lesson several of the bigger boys (it was alleged) set on him and thrashed him (according to counsel) because of what his father had let them in for. The new generations are far more concerned with things as they happen than with the memories of the war on which we used to think we were going to live for the rest of our lives.



THE WAITER "AFTER THE WAR"
—But we think he'll have to wait till a *very* long time after

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The Cartoonists "After the War"

"BAIRNSFATHERS COME HOME TO ROOST"

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"OLD BILL": "Look 'ere, Bert; if I comes acrost that there Bairnsfather, I'll blinking well put it acrost 'im for wot 'e done doorin' the war—'oldin' us up to public execution like wot 'e done!!"

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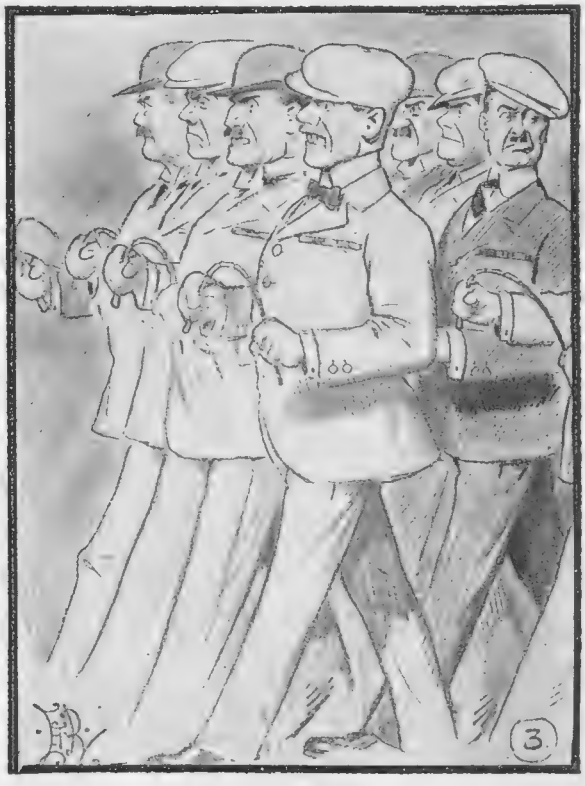
"LITTLE WILLIE": "I vas chust tink de same ting, Papa!!"



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AN "AFTER-(SOME-OF)-THE-WAR" EXHIBITION
The King and Queen visiting the Allied War Photographic Exhibition at the Victoria and Albert Museum

On a Demobilisation Day

The war was no sooner over, the glorious victory no sooner established, than, walking out of it as completely as we had walked into it, we left it where it was and fixed our interest on the things that interest us *now*. I well remember, on one of the first big Demobilisation Days in London, standing in the Park near a splendid-looking soldier, who, as the band played, stood listening with a strange, hard, far-away look in his eyes. He was one of the lot that had returned from France that day. A silvery-haired old gentleman attracted, as I was, by the pensive look on the man's face, touched him on the arm and said: "Are you thinking about the war, my brave fellow? Are you passing again through those stern, wild scenes in which you have lived for years past? Are you thinking that, thank God, it is all over now, all——?" The brave fellow said: "Not me, guv'nor. I'm thinking about my job what I've come back to if it ain't been pinched."

What We Lost in the War

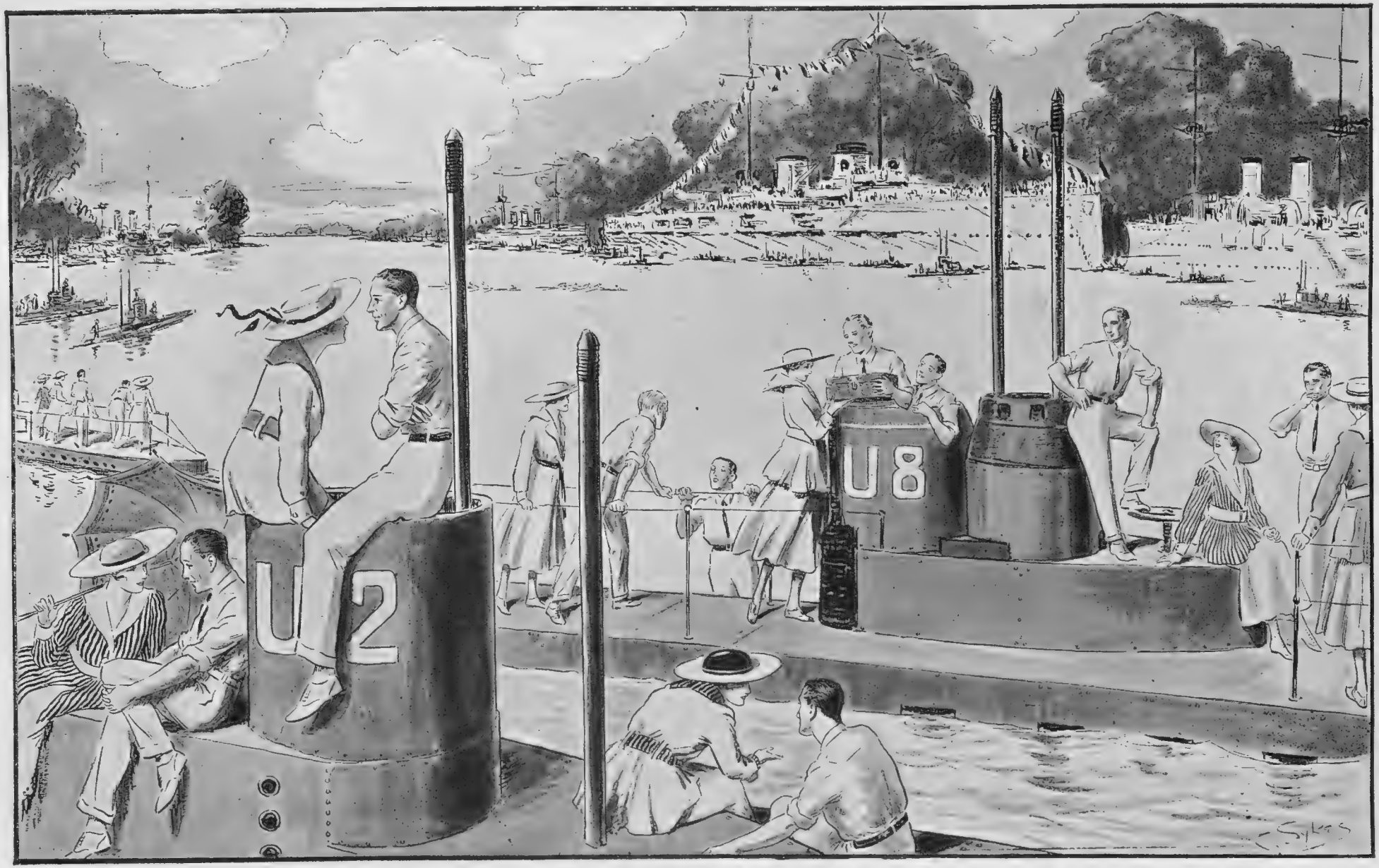
And having got into his job—if it hadn't been pinched—he unquestionably, like the rest of us, settled down to peace ways and peace worries just as we one and all settled down to war ways and war worries; but what a time it was! We used to talk about selfish people grumbling at the war and the restrictions it imposed on their lives; but there was far more grumbling, there was a regular outcry, you will remember, at having to give up many of the war luxuries and live in peace conditions. The loss of one luxury in particular created a large body of opinion in favour of breaking out another war at once. Tens of thousands were ruined by it. Innumerable cases of suicide were reported. Enormous organisations were started to revive it and establish it permanently. The agitation is, of course, still going on. For need I say that I refer to the loss of that which even the people called Pacifists said made the war worth while—the excuse "on account of the war."

"VIMY"
Captain Bairnsfather's picture which fetched 225 guineas at the Canadian Matinée

A Picture That Will Live After the War

One of the "pictures of the year" that will not share the fate of so many belauded works of the past, but will certainly increase in value "after the war," is Captain Bairnsfather's sketch of one of the conquering Canadians at the battle of Vimy Ridge. Even at its first sale its value as one of the "pictures that make history" was recognised, for it fetched no less than 225 guineas at the Canadian matinée at His Majesty's Theatre in aid of the St. Dunstan's Hostel for Blinded Sailors and Soldiers on May 11, and the buyer must have been well satisfied with his bargain. It would not be at all surprising if, in years to come, the traveller should find this fine transcription of the spirit of the Canadian soldier enshrined upon the walls of the new Parliament House at Ottawa, for it typifies the indomitable and cheerful spirit of the Dominion with a felicity which many a great master of painting might altogether have missed.

Henley—"After the War"



How to use up any remnants of the German Fleet that may be left over after the Navy has had a real chance at them

"IN ENGLAND—*THEN!*"

A WEEKLY LETTER FROM "BLANCHE"

LONDON, *May* 21, 1917.

DEAR COUSIN—

THERE'S a fashion in all things, isn't there—morals as well as frocks, phrases as well as points of view. But it's rather extraordinary, all the same, how seldom we hear now the glib "After the war . . ." that in the first months and years of this Armageddon fell so often upon our ears.

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IT'S become an also-ran in human nature's daily conversational ration. It's one of the things there isn't time to talk or think about. It belongs to those far-off, still leisured, old-time days when our Army really was a B.E.F.—oh! that wonderful little British Expeditionary Force, not 200,000 strong, that stood up, heroes to a man, against the Hun hordes in their millions. Much easier to talk of "after the war" when we hadn't begun even to think about being a military nation yet—when the echoes fairly rang with the catchwords of the optimist (also now rather among the wash-outs)—Got-the-Huns-on-the-run, Germany-at-her-last-gasp, all-over-by-Christmas, and that sort of thing.

"Lit-up streets"

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THE subject's a difficult one, too, because what'll happen after the war, and even the time when these blessed days will come upon us, lies so utterly on the knees of the gods. Even expert opinions are as far apart as the poles. A lifetime of crippling taxation to begin to pay for the war is one prophetic effort. Another forecasts such a period of industrial prosperity as even England's never known. The one and only point people *are* agreed on is that after-war things will be different, anyway, from pre-war ones.

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OF course, there's the human nature side—but as to that, *plus cela change plus c'est la même chose*. No man worth anything can go through the fire and the terror and the horror of war and come out just exactly what he was before; but I suppose, in the fundamental, primitive things, the world he comes back to, especially a world at peace again, will be much the same as it ever was.

If we return, will England be
Just England still to you and me?
The place where we must earn our bread?
We, who have walked among the dead,
And watched the smile of agony,
And seen the price of Liberty,
Which we have taken carelessly
From other hands.

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AFTER all, the rock-bottom of life never changes, and there'll always be the same human passions, human emotions, and human frailties; and it's part of the pity and the waste of war, of course, that when it's all over, except for a few aching hearts and lonely homes, everything goes on much as before. Men will have died in their myriads, and in our midst, in our time, anyway, there will always be what war leaves behind—broken, useless men and fatherless children and women who live on memories alone, and go down life's pathway with only pride to companion them.

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AS one son wrote to one mother before battle:

If I should fall, grieve not that one so weak
And poor as I
Should die.
Nay, though thy heart should break
Think only this: that when at dusk they speak
Of sons and brothers of another one,
Then thou canst say: "I too had a son;
He died for England's sake."

"Broken men"

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IT'S a rather common after-the-war view that nobody will get married because there won't be enough men to go round; but that, according to Mr. W. L. George, whose new book's the last word on woman, is a bit too gloomy a view. "There never *were* enough men to go round. According to the last census of England and Wales there were only 17,445,608 males against 18,624,884 females. An insoluble problem in a non-Moslem land.

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"THE war will not improve this state of things. It will make it worse, but not very much worse. There has been a great deal of loose talk about the subject. The word polygamy has been pronounced. This is silly, for it takes more than a European war to upset the habits of mind of an ancient civilisation. . . . No appreciable number of women will abandon their moral standards. Few of them are conscious enough of their position. They are not deliberate enough to say, 'This I need and this I will have.' Also, women are far too well used

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to loneliness and misery. Their necks have long been moulded to yokes, and can bear all burdens."

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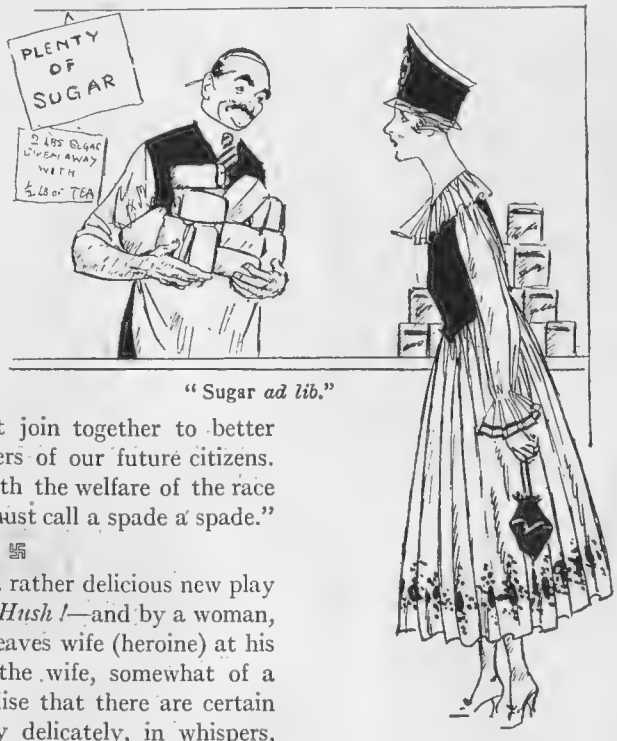
AND, of course, that's a big after-the-war movement, to counteract the lack of husbands by taking tremendous care, municipally and otherwise, of all the babies we have got or shall get. It's one of the pet crazes of our War Local Government Board, infant welfare; and there's to be a baby flag day—I mean a baby week—when the summer comes; and to save the race lots of our old prejudices will have to go by the board. "After the war we must have no more prudery," the organisers announce. "Every child is needed to fill up the gaps caused by our losses at the front. The State, the municipalities, and every agency must join together to better the conditions of the bearers of our future citizens. Anything that interferes with the welfare of the race must be made public. We must call a spade a spade."



"Sugar *ad lib.*"

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WHICH reminds one of a rather delicious new play at the Court, called *Hush!*—and by a woman, I believe. Sailor husband leaves wife (heroine) at his home, a rectory. Lucilla, the wife, somewhat of a child of nature, doesn't realise that there are certain things only mentioned very delicately, in whispers, and that when there are no men about—for example, having a baby. Reproved for outspokenness, Lucilla rushes to the conclusion that babies, if shocking before they arrive in this wicked world, must be still more so after.

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SHE learns her lesson too well—it's a way the innocent have. The baby an accomplished fact, she keeps it dark and doesn't care even to talk about the shameful little creature. When rector father-in-law comes in it is hastily hidden, lest it should offend the pure rectorial (and masculine) eye; and when the village mothers want to know all about it she's covered with confusion. Result—a fearful scandal. There must be some deep, dark reason, think the villagers, when a mother's ashamed of her baby—after.

"Drinks whenever we want them"

TALKING of women's work in the world, this from a Derbyshire "hydro" is apropos. "I want to tell you," writes one who is there from necessity not choice, to recover from a long winter of hospital work, "how absolutely right your argument for women's conscription is. One sees a perfectly shameful waste of woman-power in places like these, where fine broad-shouldered young females (*not* taking the cure) play lawn tennis all day and progressive whist, or dance, all the evening.

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"AND they've been here for *months*. They are the type of people who besiege the bargain sales and rush the teashops after a matinée. How I envy them! The auxiliary work that I am able to give in the base hospital at home is out of all proportion to the requirements, and I, who am unluckily handicapped in the health line, just long for the muscle and energy of these girls, who, by the way, have generally got a *mamma* with them, taking a little massage treatment as an excuse. If only the people who run things'd do what you say, Blanche, we should be able to commandeer some of these pleasure-girls, and incidentally make them realise what war means."

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THE 5th Gloucesters, by the way, have a tame poet who's evidently not forgotten his Tennyson. There's a moving touch of pathos and homesickness, as well as local colour and a suggestion of the boredom of war, in this very war-time "Maud":

Mud, mud, mud,
On the long straight roads. Oh, gee!
And I would that my tongue could utter
The thoughts that arise in me.

Oh! well for the General's job
That he watches us on our way!
Oh! well for the A.S.C.
As they loll in their cars all day!

And the beastly lorries go on
To their railhead miles from the trench;
But oh for the touch of a glass of "beer"
And the sound of a voice—*not* French!

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WE shall miss our "grouses" after the war, anyway, shan't we? It'll give us quite a funny feeling getting back all the things we used to have, but since the war really got going we have had to jolly well do without. Potatoes, for instance, and sugar *ad lib.*, and matches not quite priceless, petrol for the asking, coal, suppers till 12.30, and drinks whenever we want them, lit-up streets, night clubs, dancing, and other almost forgotten luxuries. Sounds like a beautiful dream. Of course, it *may* come true—after the war.

With love, yours ever, BLANCHE

The Retired Naval Officer 'After the War'

PASSED BY CENSOR

MR. REGINALD PONSONBY (late Commander R.N.V.R.) HOLDS "CAPTAIN'S DEFAULTERS' AT "THE LAURELS"

BY LIEUT. ARTHUR WATTS, R.N.V.R.

"Anywhere in Flanders" after the War

My Dear Bystander—

In the brighter days of the war, before G.H.Q. had had time to evolve its General Routine Orders, it was customary for the zealous soldier once he found himself in need, to use his own initiative to fill the void and waste no time about it. It was a case of *chacun à son goût*, and choice extended from pinching a kite-balloon on a dark night for lightning transformation into ground sheets to borrowing the tiles off a roof in the interests of motor transport. No man of average intelligence could miss his opportunity; but life is one long constant change, and nowadays, when pressed by the exigencies of the military situation, you must no longer rely upon your native wit to compete with the situation; instead you must rush about the country and look for the Requisitioning Officer, the man with Army Book 395 in his pocket.

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Fully alive to the existence of both the Requisitioning Officer and Army Book 395, there can be no possible excuse for my regrettable lapse. That the case was urgent and a Brass Hat yearning for my immediate presence, the distance to go 2 kilometers and transport *nil*, cannot be considered sufficient to acquit me of my sin.

With furtive glance and stealthy footstep I glided up to the push-bike leaning against the palings, and a moment later was pedalling rapidly into the gloaming. . . .

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At nine o'clock the following morning the crucial problem of restoration without explanation still remained unsolved, when the door opened suddenly and there stood before me my very good friend, M. Descamps, Secretary to the Maire. He was in a very agitated frame of mind, poor fellow. It seemed that some blackguard—rumour said a British soldier—had sneaked his bicycle, and he had come to me to help him find it.

The spectre of distress, be it male or female, never leaves me cold. At sight of M. Descamps a flood of fellow-love surged through me like a tidal wave. Here at last was a chance to do one of those little unselfish acts—small in themselves, 'tis true, yet none the less in this egoistic world more precious than gold or rubies.

"Come!" I cried, and led him to his bicycle.

"*La voilà!*" I cried with the professional pride of the man who produces gold fish out of fresh air. "Found at eight o'clock this morning!"

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It is by performing these little deeds of thoughtfulness and consideration that we endear ourselves to our fellow-men.

"The chain of habit," says a *savant* whose name I forget, "coils itself round the heart like a serpent to gnaw and stifle it."

There are moments when musing over these mournful words the calm contemplation of life after the war fills the soul with vague perplexity.

To what extent, one wonders, will the chain of recent habit influence our social laws in common with the upheaval of all our sacred institutions and traditions?

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Suppose, for instance, that I have an urgent appointment with a Wimpole Street dentist at 3.30 and at 3.25 make the depressing discovery that no taxi is available, being left, therefore, with no alternative but to requisition (unofficially) the bicycle of the nearest butcher's boy. Will my little difficulty be readily understood by the party concerned, or will my bed-ridden aunt in Clapham be pained to read in the evening paper an account of

Officer's Downfall—
Strange Story of
"Borrowed Bicycle"?

Again, if I should hail a taxi and then find that a perfect stranger claims it first shall I be at liberty to gouge his eye out with my umbrella, at the same time expressing my regret? Or, in the event of refreshing slumber being made impossible by the agency of the moon-sick watch-dog or wailing feline of my neighbour opposite, shall I be within my rights if I come down in my pyjamas and set fire to his house? Time alone can solve these doubts.—Yours ever,

Jack Johnson

"AFTER THE WAR"

Lieut. Flight, R.F.C., finding it extraordinarily uncomfortable to live on earth, takes up his abode as shown in the picture. *And* no rates to pay!

Surprises of the Future

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? PEACE AND PLENTY ?

News in 1919

As we have always consistently predicted would be the case, the Government, concurrently with the declaration of Peace, has conceded the principle of Universal Suffrage, which, of course, involves the right of women to stand for Parliament. Miss Matilda Wobbinson, who is well-known as a pioneer of reform, has accordingly lost no time in issuing her election address and holding her first meeting.

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Miss Wobbinson, whose programme is both fearless and far-reaching, proposes that for the future no woman shall be economically dependent upon man. No man is to have an income exceeding one hundred pounds a year, as, if he has any more, he will only spend it. All the rest of his money is to be under the control of his wife absolutely. Children are to take the family name of their mother instead of that of their father, whose importance in family life has hitherto been absurdly over-rated.

Miss Wobbinson further proposes that no man shall be out of doors after ten o'clock at night (summer time) without a special licence, to be obtained at the headquarters of the women police. All applications for such licences will be scrutinised very closely by experienced ladies who have husbands of their own, and are, therefore, familiar with all the possible permutations of the usual lame excuse for a late night in town.

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At her first meeting Miss Wobbinson was reminded by one of her audience that the sitting member was a gentleman held in the highest esteem by the electorate. Miss Wobbinson retorted that if he really were a gentleman he ought to give up his seat to a lady. There was much laughter and applause at this scintillating piece of homely wit.

NURSERY NOVELTIES "AFTER THE WAR"

Sergeant-Major Benedict, of "the Buffs," feeling too buoyant without his heavy equipment, carries his twins in a new knapsack arrangement—and sells his "pram"

Now that the war is over, and most of our soldiers have returned to their former places in civil life, we desire to make a respectful appeal to ex-officers of high rank that they will use the utmost possible tact in dealing with their former subordinates. The need for such an appeal is emphasised by the unfortunate experience of the young Duke of Buncaster.

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It seems that early in 1915 his Grace, with a fine patriotic spirit, enlisted in Kitchener's Army as a private soldier. Somewhere in France he recognised the temporary Colonel of his regiment as a gentleman who had before the war been the manager of the tobacco department of the Stores patronised by his Grace; and, his job having been kept open for him, he has duly returned to it.

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Yesterday morning, as the Duke was coming out of his house, he observed his former colonel walking briskly along the street on his way to work. His Grace complains bitterly, and it seems to us with reason, that in response to his pleasant "Good morning!" the tobacco man fixed him for a moment with a cold, hard stare, and then cut him dead. His Grace felt the slight so keenly that he was obliged to return at once to the house, where, sinking down on a chair in the hall, he cried like a child. We yield to none in our respect for high military rank, but the exercise of a little tact among ex-officers in civil life will go far to prevent the repetition of such distressing incidents.

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One of the extraordinary effects of the late war has been the sudden increase of the population of Switzerland from four millions in 1914 to thirty millions at the present day. The explanation of the phenomenon appears to be that all the better class of the population of Germany, having heard for the first time of the methods by which their Government conducted the war, have shaken off a nationality that involved them in universal opprobrium. Switzerland is now so crowded that many people have to walk in the road, as there is no room for all of them on the pavement.

Arnold Golsworthy

The Holiday "After the War"

LANDLADY: "I can let you have a small bed-sitting room for a week in five years' time!"

The Bystander in Paris

"L'HEURE DE L'APÉRITIF"
(AFTER THE WAR)

L'heure de l'apéritif of the *chauffeuses* and *conductrices*

CAFÉ GAULOIS, *May*

MONSIEUR ET CHER ALLIÉ—

Enfin—here he is—*ce coquin de Printemps!* He has kept us waiting, but he has come now for sure! It is not because the thermometer has been going up, up—like the price of living—nor because all the leaves are out (the green ones of the trees and the white ones of the Municipality and the Ministère de Ravitaillement), nor because Mlle. Céline has resurrected (with such art!) the summery toilettes of last year, and the policeman opposite the Café Gaulois has put on his white trousers; nor is it because the little girls go to First Communion with their big veils floating like white clouds among the gay uniforms down the boulevards, or because the "Swallows from the Rue de la Paix" (to speak like M. Georges) are flitting and twittering and dreaming of green twigs and comfortable nests.

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No, monsieur! These are only symptoms of spring; but the *procès verbal* of its arrival in Paris is to be found at the Commissaire de Police, who is busy night and day with *drames d'amour* of every description, not to speak of the old vendetta between chauffeur and pedestrian, which now reaches its acutest form! *Ça—c'est le Printemps à Paris!*—"*Folie de Printemps*," M. Georges calls it. "It is the fault of the alcohol!" declares M. le Commandant, and perhaps he is right.

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CERTAINLY it is regrettable—and I am the first to recognise it, monsieur—that with all their *régimes* and restrictions the only one Messieurs les Ministres are afraid to institute is the *régime* of the *jours sans alcool*. They come and go, the Ministers, but the "bistro"—the barman—he remains!

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Tenez! I will give monsieur an illustration! You say in England (and I do not say the contrary) that we in France neglect the "tub." Not all of us, monsieur! Frédéric, for example, has never failed to visit the Establishment of Baths every Easter. It is an old habit of his, which even the war has not changed. *Alors*, with my serviette under my arm and my soap in my pocket, I arrive—to find, what? The Establishment is closed! Monsieur may not believe me—*mais ça m'a donné un vrai coup!*—for never had such a thing occurred before. It was the *marchand de vins* next door who explained to me the place had to close half the week for lack of coal—*et il a bien ri*—as he took the twelve sous I had reserved for my bath! As he said: "It is not the first time!" But he was a *brave homme*, a true patriot. Monsieur should have heard him praise the Government! He said it was a shame to hear people grumble and complain about the restrictions and the duration of the war. As for him, "*Jusqu'au Bout!*" was his motto, and he had it posted up over his zinc counter. It is true, he is "making affairs of gold," as he told me. His *clientèle* has doubled—what do I say?—tripled! For, as he said: "God be praised, our women are always ready to take the place of the absent men!" And it is true, they are good clients—especially the women who work in the munition factories. It seems—so the "bistro" told me—that they, too, have their *Heure de l'Apéritif* after work. Every evening they meet in his back room with the *chauffeuses* of the taxis and the *conductrices* of the tramways.

"Swallows from the Rue de la Paix"

"Vendetta"

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APROPOS, I ask myself—will they continue the *apéritif* habit after the war? It is possible. "Everything is possible after the war," as M. Désiré was saying just now to *ces messieurs*, "and we men must hold together more than ever." This was intended for M. Georges, who has made his entrance with two of his new *marraines de guerre* (of the spring

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The Soldier "After the War"

THE ONLY CURE FOR THE BOREDOM OF PEACE

THE BYSTANDER IN PARIS (*concluded*)

variety !). But, as M. Georges points out, it is better to have *des relations* in the rival camp—for all emergencies ! He is now proceeding to compose a picture of what will happen after the war—I imagine for the benefit of M. Désiré (who, as monsieur may remember, is of a nervous physical temperament).

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He declares he has it on very good authority that for Paris the *état de guerre* will last long after the war, and that the police are already preparing for a new danger—that of the mobilised *apaches !* Constantine (it is always M. Georges who speaks), in anticipation of a prolonged visit to the Allies, has sent over in secret some of his reservist instructors to organise our national *apaches* into disciplined *comitadjes*, and already in the dark and lonely corners of the Butte and Ménilmontant secret drill is going forward. Soon the descendants of our Bonnots and our Garniers will add new and gory pages to the history of the *apache*, but instead of operating in ravished limousines they will swoop down from the air in requisitioned aeroplanes and defy the police in bomb-proof trenches and from behind barbed wire defences. Then we shall read *communiqués* of how "the Moulin-de-la-Galette was shelled all Saturday in view of the Sunday offensive," how "in the Rue Lepic an *entonnoir*, armed with mitrailleuses, defied all capture," to say nothing of the bad treatment of interned civilians in Montmartre and Belleville. As for the unlucky *bourgeois*, he will creep home after nightfall with his gas-mask over his face ! . . .

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I think he exaggerates, M. Georges, but already there are so many changes ! There is the *concierge*, for instance, who is in

"The lady with the broom"

process of a transformation as miraculous as it is pleasing. Monsieur knows better than anyone *what* the Paris *concierge* was before the war, for I remember well how he complained to Frédéric about the unqualifiable proceedings of his *pipelette*, the tyranny of her ways, and the cupidity of her soul. *Eh, bien !* if monsieur were here he would be astonished, charmed, to find the porter's lodge and its presiding presence no longer evil and ominous things in his existence. His letters would be tendered to him with a smiling countenance, and the inquiries of his friends no longer be discouraged. Monsieur, who used to have such trouble with his dog (who in Paris has not ?), would be agreeably surprised to see the lady with the broom caress his canine on the stairway.

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Ah ! here comes M. Aristide with his friend, the deputy (a new client. Everyone refers to him as "*le député*, except M. le Commandant, who calls him "M. Quinze-Mille.") M. Aristide demands the writing materials for the deputy, and whispers to me that the latter is going to prepare his *interpellation* for the big debate when the Chamber reopens. (Monsieur will have noticed that always when *Messieurs les Députés* have their vacation they prepare their *interpellations*—like the *collégiens* with their holiday tasks !) M. Aristide has assured me confidentially *que ça va chaffeur au Palais-Bourbon !* If you ask me, monsieur, I think the deputies would do well to economise their *chauffage* for next winter ! *Enfin !* . . . "Frédéric !—*l'addition !*" It is the voice of madame !

A bientôt, monsieur !

Frédéric

THE DUD—"AFTER THE WAR"

FRENCH FARMER : "I could call ze dam German in ze language Australian"

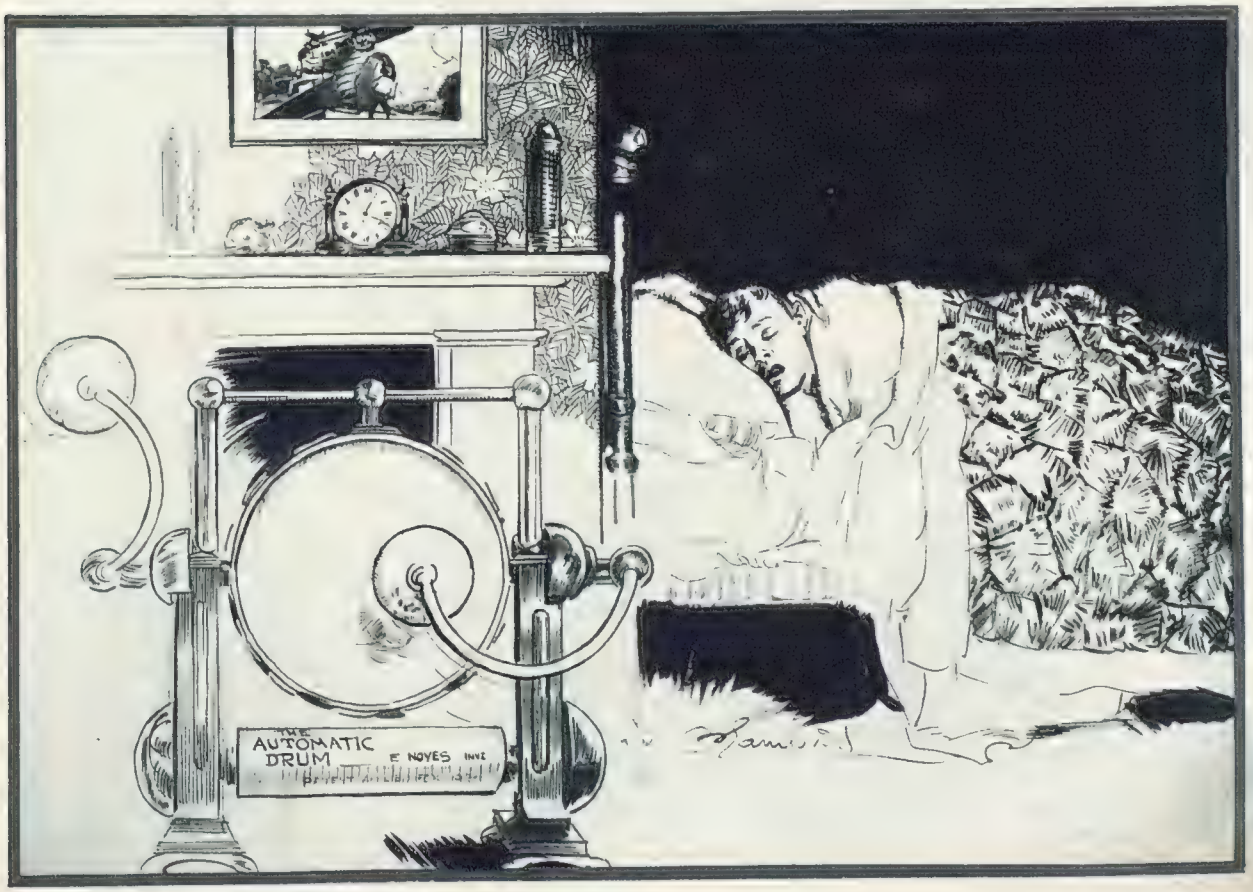
War Material "After the War"

PASSED BY CENSOR

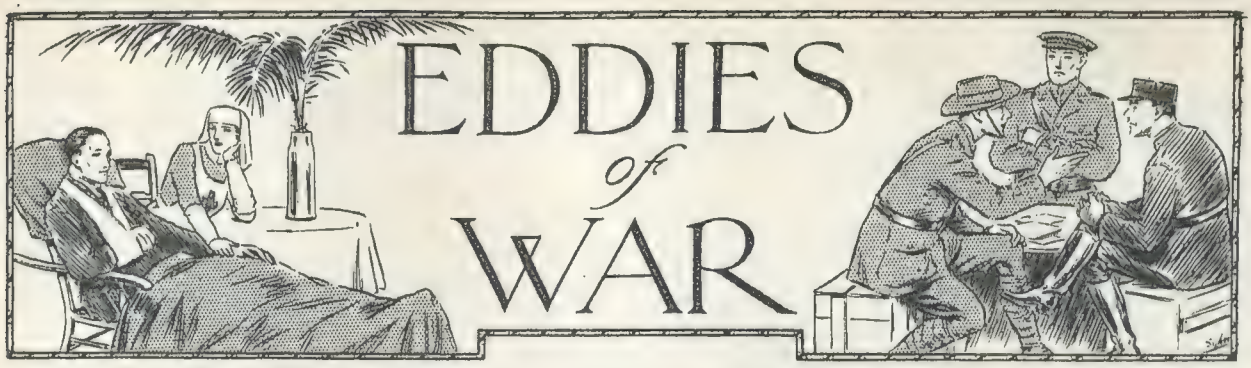
(A) The street musician will find the steel helmet a peerless protection against the brickbats of the brutal

(B) And there will be enough mess-tins, dixies, and shell-cases to equip every milkman in the United Kingdom

—and Substitutes for it



Bombardier Noyes, of "The Howitzers," being totally unable to sleep away from the sound of the guns, invents an ingenious substitute, which is having a big "boom" amongst ex-artillerymen.



TRENCH TALK.

BY DELL LEIGH

It was the third dawn of the four in trenches, and there was nothing much doing. The Hun lines were a fair distance away. The three men were merely bored spectators of passing aircraft. The trench had dried up under the sudden spell of warm spring weather, and they smoked together in comparative content, and built their little castles.

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"No," continued the tall lean man, "no more of the wholesale trade for *me* after the war. You don't get a dog's chance to assert yourself in the City." He was a rapidly promoted sergeant of the new armies, and had found his *métier*, not among bales of wool in Wood Street, but in the war-worn platoons of an infantry battalion, as had many of his brethren.

"I want the open air and men." He waved a pipe towards a sky flecked with shrapnel bursts. "Didn't know I could get a move on with men till I tried this war business." He was an iron-disciplined sergeant, as the other two knew well enough, and they made no comment. "They had always ordered *me* about," he went on, "ever since I left the grammar school, and if you didn't take the orders, fair or unfair, you could take your week's wages on the Friday and clear out, quick. That's no damn use to *me*, that kind of life. I'm going to Canada (when the rush back is over) or some place where a feller can make his own way on his own push. 'Sides, there will be plenty o' jobs going for a man who's had men under him on the most dangerous game you can play. What?"

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The others nodded, and smoked on in silence; this sergeant with the authoritative manner was not to be combated in argument. Moreover, they were each dreaming their own particular "after the war" dreams.

"Yes," said the second man, "that's all right enough; you'll be up at Brigade Headquarters soon for keeps, orderin' the G.O.C. about, like as not—I knows *your* kind. All very well for them as it suits, but we ain't *all* built like that." He was a lance-corporal, more by the accident of recent casualties than by design. "What *I* want, and mean ter get, it I'm spared, is the *country*. Until I joined up I'd only seen the sea twice, and that was at Blackpool two summers running, when the ol' man 'ad made a parcel of overtime out o' the mill an' felt generous like. Blimey, when yer gits away from billets an' 'as a look round at France, it makes yer kind of sick ter think o' goin' back to Salford an' workin' in somebody else's factory all yer life—leastways, that 'ow I feel about it. This 'ere open air life kind of alters things for yer. They say as 'ow this is an ugly part o' France, mebbe; but I could do with a bit of a farm 'ere or in any other place, long's it ain't Salford. Fancy crawlin' out of bed at six and sloppin' off to the mill in the dark with yer fag be'ind yer ear till the dinner gong goes—not likely! Give me the open country too; but no responsibility beyond makin' enough to keep yerself, that's wot I call peace an' quietness after all this 'ere." He pointed towards the stacked rifles and bomb slings.

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The third man, a diminutive private, made no remark whatever, but dug his heels into the soft clay beneath and tapped the now cold bowl of his pipe reflectively with a very dirty forefinger. He dared not commit himself to speech before these two staunch advocates of the "open sea and the rolling plain." No; that was beyond his vision. He had become a good soldier, in a confused, disinterested way, in his seven months' acquaintance with campaigning; but it was foreign to his element—something to be done without question or argument, because some force, unknown in its potency, compelled it. But it was not *his* life, not his environment. He would go back one day, please God, with the bands playing somewhere up in the front of the column of route, and the Germans comfortably pulverised into obscurity behind them. Not to the life these quasi-hardened men advocated. Oh, dear, no! but back to the high sloping desk and the American cloth-covered chair, easily tiltable, in the warm corner near the radiator. To the lunch at the Cabin round the corner, where the dominoes are. Yes, the chessmen and the dominoes; he had heard the noise of the pieces in his dug-out dreams, coming in from the open wind-swept trench like water running back seawards over stones on the shore. . . . To the folded "bank-wove" paper over the cuffs, elastic-held and discarded at noon on the Saturday. To the excitement of the inter-office matches on the Saturday afternoons; the little bag of soccer clothes, boots tied on outside, and the scramble from the City to catch the 1.10 to Earlsfield, followed by the joy of the muddy game and, perchance, a goal, the pavilion tea, with Nell at the cinema later, and the delicious tired feeling creeping over you from the exercise. The lie-in-bed on the Sunday. . . .

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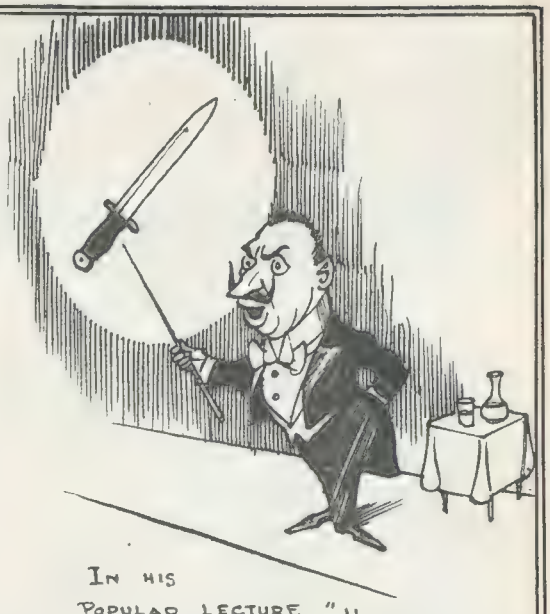
The sergeant, a thoughtful man, with vision, knocked his pipe out on his heel, and yawned. "Wonder if any of us will do these things when it comes to the point?" he mused.

"I know what *I* shall do," muttered the little man, rising. But they did not ask him what that was, for the alarm gong sounded as he said it.

The Kaiser "After the War"

CHIEF MILITARY ADVISER TO A LESSER FOREIGN POTENTATE.



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The Ghost of Dead

PASSED BY CENSOR

At midnight, an indignant, husky voice is

l Pig Farm—19 . . ?

heard to say: "B—— these blinkin' sandbags"

BY CAPTAIN BRUCE BAIRNSFATHER

PASSED BY CENSOR

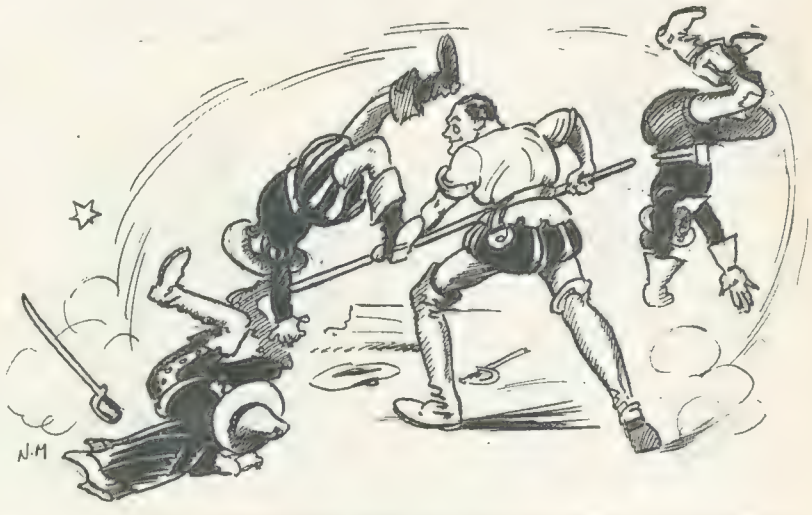
A SUGGESTION FOR THE "EMPLOYMENT OF PILOTS IN PEACE-TIME BUREAU

LONDON NIGHTS ENTERTAINMENTS

The Theatre of Peace

BY "JINGLE." ILLUSTRATED BY NORMAN MORROW

THE theatre of war has played sad havoc with the reputations of prophets, and the theatre of peace may well do the same thing, if not more so. Yet there are things that we may at least hope we are prophesying rightly for the piping times. There is, for instance, the young and dashing hero of the drama of our dreams, who will come back to us a hero indeed. His famous single-handed combat with a score of villains on the drawbridge of the moated grange will probably represent an effort that he has rehearsed more than once in very real life. I am not sure that in that day I should altogether relish being a villain at twenty-five shillings a week, called upon to face every evening, and the usual matinées, a tried fighter whose blood is hardly cool from the fever of Armageddon.



"A tried fighter, whose blood is hardly cool from the fever of Armageddon"

"The dashing young men who pranced round"

WHETHER what is known as the "male chorus" in musical productions will ever return to its pre-war job is a matter of great doubt. At present the dashing young men who used to prance round the gushing heroine and confirm her melodious observations with emphasis are represented by still more dashing girls in coats and waistcoats and the usual extras. The difficulty with the average "male impersonator" is that in her conscientious anxiety to be correctly "doggy" she usually ends by being more royalist than the king. Still, it seems not unlikely that this war-born freak is one that has come to stay. Real men coming back from "out there" may not continue to regard smirking in chorus as proper work for a grown man. Besides, they tell me that the extremely shiny "topper" is going out of fashion after the war; and even the immaculately tailored chorus "swell" cannot look his best in a frock-coat and a golf-cap.

THE very modern "revue" has probably come to stay only "for the duration." It is obviously not the considered form of entertainment of a solid people like the English, but is a temporary make-shift of rather reckless hilarity born of the uncertain times in which we live. Pecksniff and Chadband have, of course, been badly shocked, and have held their hands to high heaven in witness of the fact; but even they have at last come to see that if people, as the poet says, will laugh at any mortal thing, it is that they may not weep. The times have been too tense and the strain too great for milder relaxations; and, on the homœopathic principle, something with a trace of extravagance in it proved a very useful prescription.

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"Pecksniff and Chadband"

AFTER THE WAR ON THE STAGE

AFTER the war we shall be more easily and more quietly amused. I urge this as a prophecy guaranteed by the management. The homely little comedy that begins with a smile and ends with a betraying sniff will, no doubt, come into its own again; and there will be a steady demand for something nice about home and mother, and the fair-haired sweetheart with pink cheeks and a sun-bonnet. We may not get back to the prunes and prisms of the mid-Victorian age, but reaction will probably carry us far. Nobody supposes, of course, that things will ever again be just as they were in the theatre, although everybody likes to remind us with a superior smile that history repeats itself.

THRILLING SCENE IN THE NEW MELODRAMA
THE VILLAIN IS CAUGHT IN AN "ALL-DAY" CLUB
DRINKING GINGER BEER AND SMOKING A CIGARETTE

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AFTER the war it is assumed that the British public will be much chastened in spirit, and that the heavy hands of the Food and Drink and other Controllers will have left their mark upon us. Some venturesome author will, no doubt, produce a play dealing with a distressing scene of temptation at a night club. There will be the hesitating hero and the tantalising temptress; and just as he is about to fall a victim to her wiles, and we are gasping for breath for the great *dénoûment*, the climax will come. A gilded and powdered lacquey will enter the gorgeous apartment to announce that the temptress's mother has called for her to take her home, thus closing her career of infamy for the evening. Another sensation on the new lines will doubtless be a police raid on the night club in question, and the excitement in the house will be great when it learns that the hero is under arrest on the awful charge of having ordered a bottle of lemonade after 9.45 p.m.

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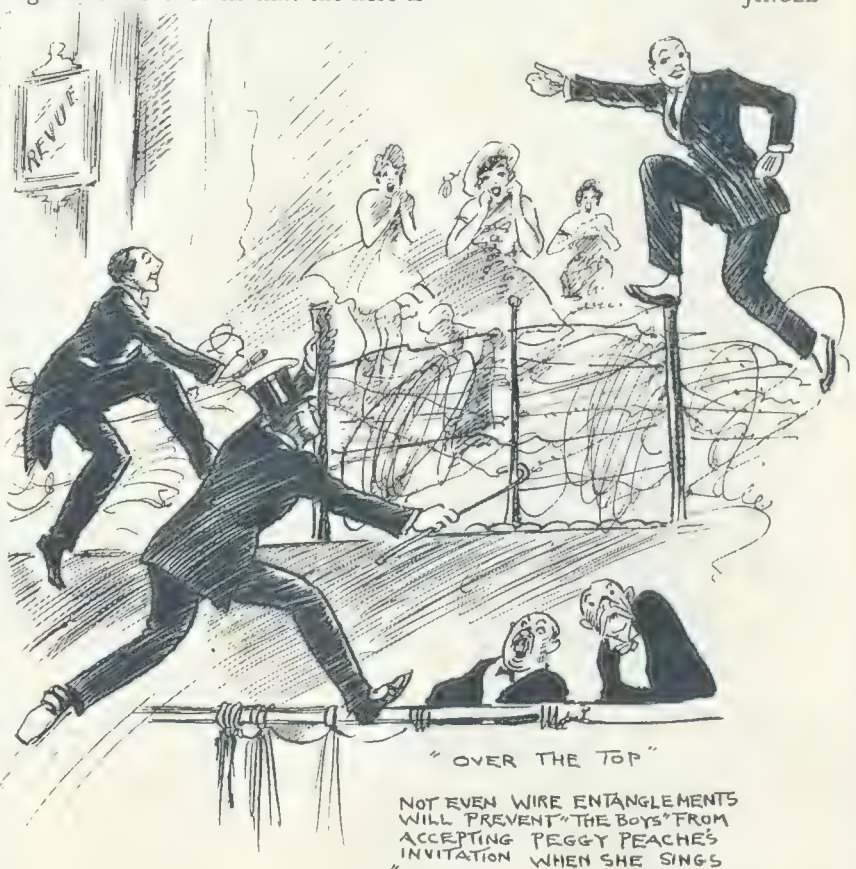
THEN there will be the usual difficulty in respect of soldiers who come back from the long years of war and have to learn the gentle ways of peace all over again. Some of them will go to a popular music-hall, and the customary soubrette will bounce upon the stage, singing to the effect that she wants someone to love her, someone to be her beau. Prudent managements will prepare for such a contingency by having the stage protected by barbed wire entanglements in order to keep off the rush of enthusiastic volunteers for the job. Though from what we know of our men it is not always certain that barbed wire entanglements can be relied upon to keep them away from where they have made up their minds to go.

JINGLE



"OVER THE TOP"

NOT EVEN WIRE ENTANGLEMENTS WILL PREVENT "THE BOYS" FROM ACCEPTING PEGGY PEACHE'S INVITATION WHEN SHE SINGS "TAKE ME IN YOUR LOVING ARMS!"

The Force of Habit "After the War"

To take but a single instance of Mr. Ritchie's versatile ideas, let us hope that his prophecy of the Triumph of Bureaucracy, as instanced in the perpetual filling up of forms, may not come true. For there is no worse waste of paper than waste-paper

What Did You Do in the Great War?

THE PROFITEER: I did the public.

THE PROHIBITIONIST: I contributed to the "Strength of Britain" by trying to take all the spirit out of my country.

THE POLITICIAN: I invented a Party Truce—for the other fellows to keep.

THE SUFFRAGETTE: I gained my vote—but lost my grievance.

THE BUTCHER: I tried to carry on with the times out of joint and my livelihood at stake.

THE POTATO DEALER: I ran to "seed."

THE 'BUS CONDUCTRESS: I enjoyed all the fun of the "fare."

THE FLAPPER: I starved between 3 and 6 p.m.

THE FOOD HOARDER: I looked after No. 1.

THE WAR WIDOW: I looked after No. 2.

LORD NORTHCLIFFE: I won it.

LITTLE WILLIE: I discovered there was a rift in the loot.

VON TIRPITZ: I stood by, resting for the most part on an even Kiel.

PRESIDENT WILSON: I noted all that went on. Then I went on all I had noted.

FERDINAND: I left Sofia for the Central Empires.

CONSTANTINE: I didn't leave Sophia for the same reason.

THE DUST COLLECTOR: Preoccupied with affairs at the front, I neglected affairs at the back, and forgot to collect the dust.

THE TAX COLLECTOR: I never forgot. I collected the dust as usual.

THE ALLOTMENT HOLDER (*age* 41 *years* 5 *minutes*): I grew potatoes (for myself).

THE MUNITIONER: I made munitions (and bought a Ford car).

APRÈS LA GUERRE

Tommies and Jocks arrive from France in 19— ; will they have become so "naturalised" as this?

GEORGE BERNARD SHAW: What did I do in the war? Has there been a war then?

THE CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR: I volunteered to join the Army on conditions that I did not have to leave the country unless in case of invasion.

"CUTHBERT": They said that I, a young man with a good Government job, should be in the trenches. As a matter of fact, I should simply hate to have met those German Johnnies. I never could get on with strangers. What?

THE FOOD HOG: For months and months I had nothing to eat except a lot of food.

THE SLACKER: I discovered that veracity was not the mother of exemption, and I worked it.

THE LADY TRAM CONDUCTOR: In my suffrage days the coppers used to collect me, now I collect the coppers.

THE LADY WINDOW CLEANER: I was told to help my country, and went to great panes to do it.

COUNT BERNSTORFF: I tried to tell them how sincere I was, but they didn't believe me. No, they wouldn't believe me.

MR. JOSEPH KING, M.P.: No reply has been received from Mr. King. We understand that he has joined Our Dumb Friends League.

THE PRESS BUREAU: (The Press Bureau, while having no confirmation of this, whatever that may be, but have no objection to its publication, however.)

MR. ASQUITH: I must have notice of that question.

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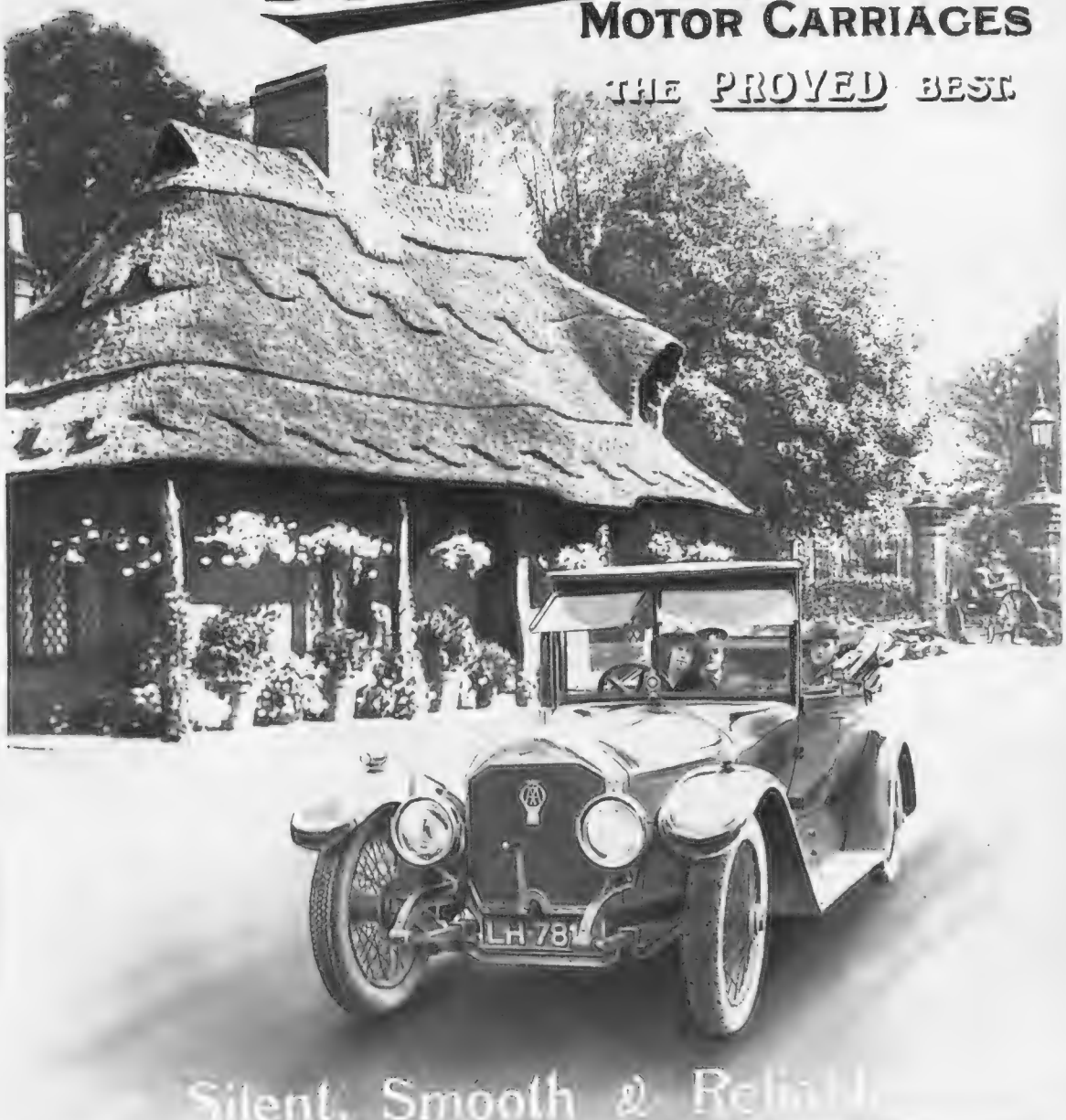

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Of the misty, distant days to come when Peace breaks out once more;
What will happen? Will the world be wholly changed for me and you?
Or will everything go on again just as it used to do?

For example, shall we ever of the "Bradburys" be rid?
And find a long-forgotten joy in pocketing a quid?
Shall we have to go on eating mangolds, barley, oats, and maize?
Or enjoy the bread and "'taters" of our younger, happier days?

Will the Party Politicians throw the "Party Truce" away,
And make (and break) their promises, and *always* draw their pay?
And will the posters flare again by which the *Screvening News*
Gave its orders to the nation, or immersed it in the blues?

Will the Suffragettes in thousands break the glass in Downing Street?
Or will they all be voting in a manner more discreet?
Will the theatres supply us with plays tender, true, and new?
Or will they still just fill the bill with nothing but Revue?

Back from "working on munitions" shall we welcome Mary Jane?
Or will she look upon the cap and apron with disdain?
Will there be "cakes and ale" once more? and shall good luck be crowned
By the olden-time good-fellowship of standing drinks all round?

How will the Food Controller pass his leisure time? and, oh!
What *will* become of the fi-fo-fum of a baffled Press Bureau?
Do you think the War Departments will retire from their hotels?
Shall we still get soul-analysis from Mr. H. G. Wells?

I do not know, I cannot tell; but this at least is pleasant;
To think whatever happens then will be better than at present;
And one thing's pretty certain (time will witness if I lie!),
Bairnsfather, "Blanche," and THE BYSTANDER will still be "Standing By!"

But the thing I chiefly long for—the thing I'd hate to lose—
Is to see once more the familiar "fudge" of the evening "Stop Press News"—
To see once more, as in days of yore, just as it used to be—

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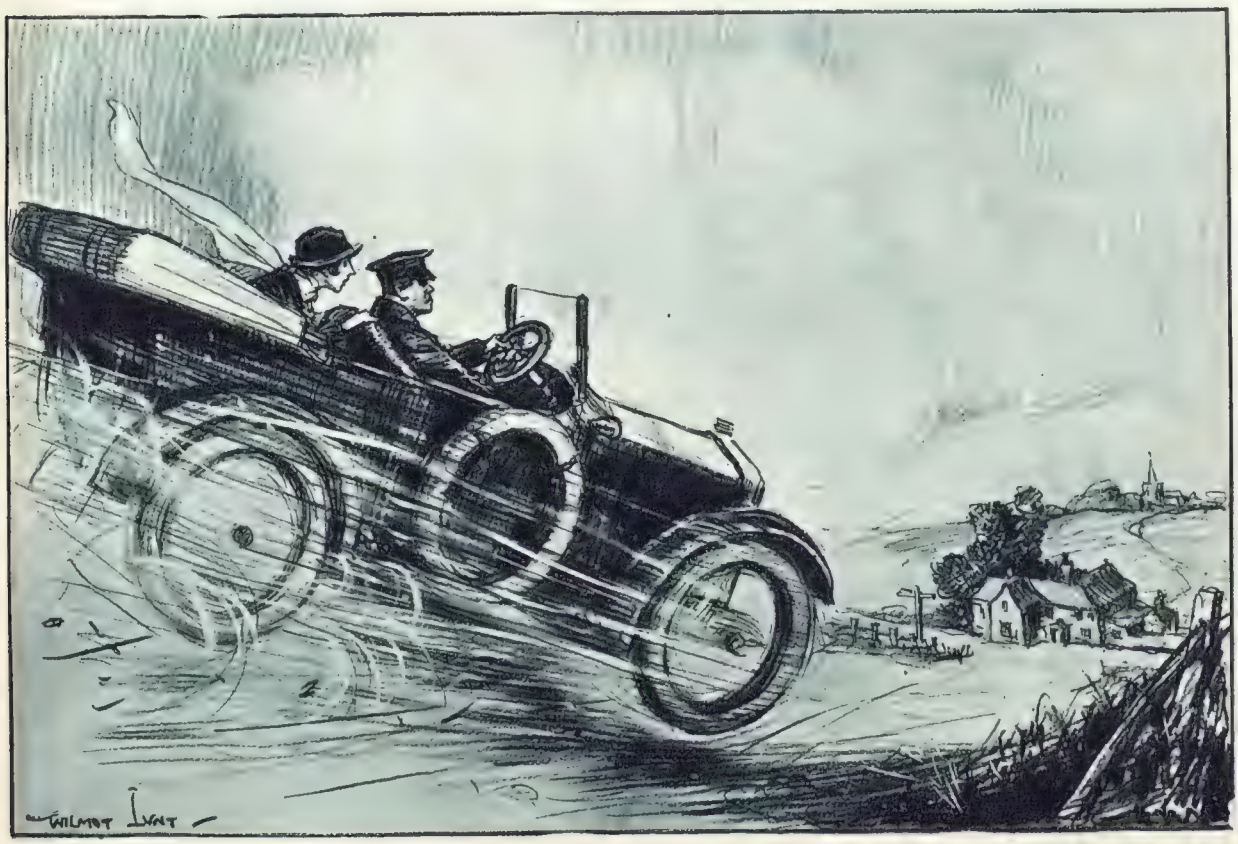
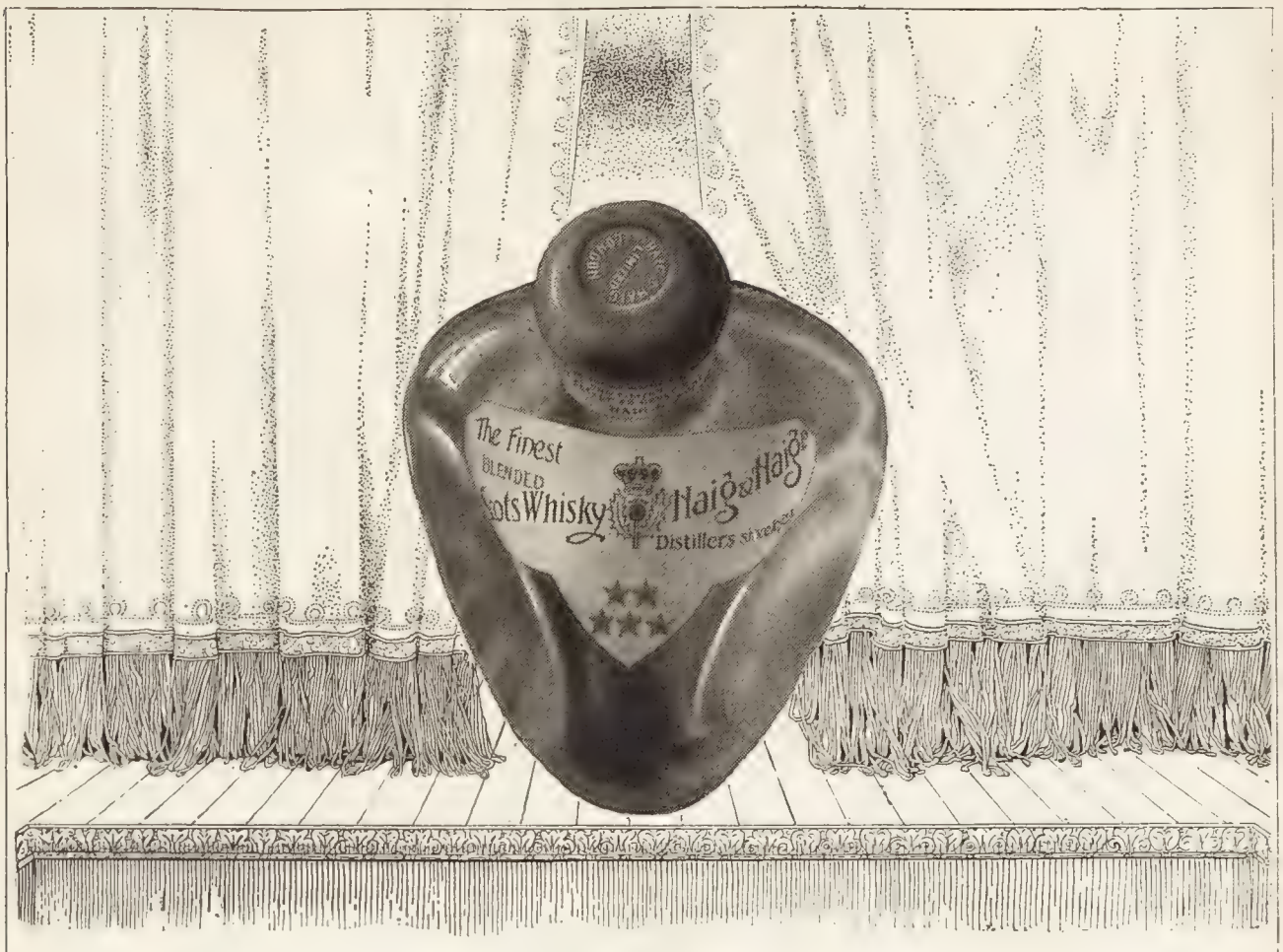
F. R. BURROW



"AFTER THE WAR"—THE TANK-DRIVER

LADY: "Put the brakes on quickly, James"
CHAUFFEUR (*formerly Tank-driver*): "They're jammed, me lady, but don't you worry. We shall go through that house at the bottom as clean as a whistle"



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Mr. Bungay's Dilemma

BY LEWIS ROSE MACLEOD

Bungay's is not a great business, but it is a very solid one. His colleagues on the Baltic are in the habit, nowadays when the word is fashionable, of referring to it as a "cushy" little concern. Because of the war the business is more than ever profitable. Notwithstanding this, Bungay has lately been showing signs of worry. The change in him has been the subject of comment among his city friends for some time, but none of them has yet discovered the cause of it.

Bungay, for all his success, is a mild—I might almost say a timid—man. He has a gentle, hesitating voice, which appeals rather than commands. His orders to his typist invariably take the form of an apology for troubling her; those to his office boy are an appeal to the lad's nobler impulses. Both of them adore him and put forth every effort to help him to "carry on" during the absence of young Martingale, his right-hand man.

Martingale is at the front. He has been there since early in 1915, and seems to have been in the thick of the fighting all the time. Joining as a private immediately the war began, he was a lieutenant midway in 1915, a captain in December. A few months ago he was promoted major, and only the other day his name was in the *London Gazette* among a number of other D.S.O.'s.

Between ourselves, it is Martingale who has been worrying Bungay. He has been in Bungay's office since he was fifteen years of age, and to be entirely frank about the matter, Bungay has always been just the least little bit afraid of him ever since he noticed, in those far-off days, the masterful manner in which the lad used to slam the stamps on to the envelopes and the forceful style of his address to the haughty girl operators in the telephone exchange. Bungay himself has never been able to address the young women at the keyboard as if they were ordinary human beings. His manner towards them has always been even more than deferential. Both methods, I often noticed, were equally effective. Bungay the girls treated with a gentle tolerance, but to Martingale they were positively servile. Bungay's manner towards Martingale was always a quaint blend of affection and humility, and I have sometimes wondered what it will be when Martingale comes back from the war. So has Bungay. That, in fact, is the very matter which has been troubling him.

He confided the fact to me at luncheon the other day—it was a very good wine indeed, and Bungay is ordinarily a most abstemious man; but on this occasion—well, it was just to celebrate Martingale's D.S.O.; nothing less would have induced Bungay to depart from his rigid adherence to the strictest war-time economy.

"You see," he said, "it will be so awkward for me when he comes back—God bless him! He will probably be a colonel then." He made the suggestion apprehensively.

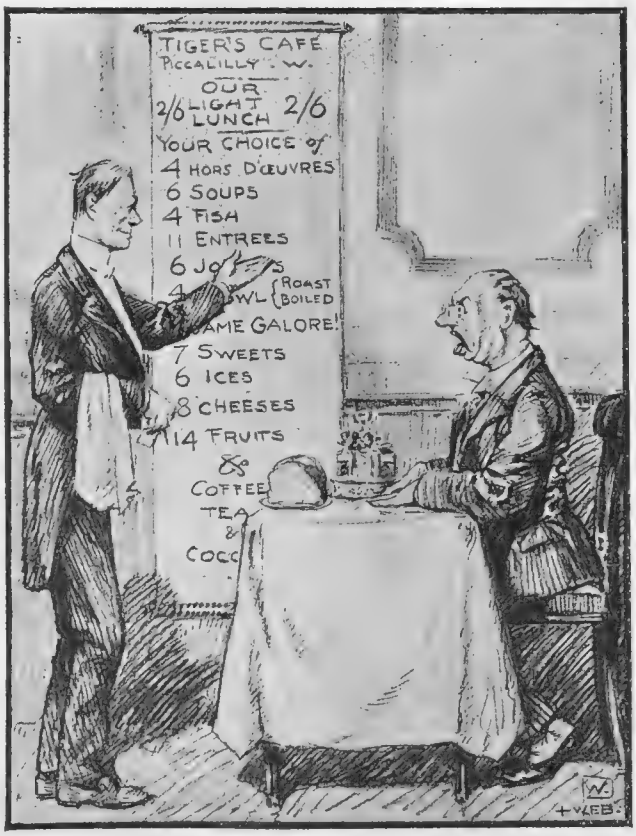
"That at least," said I. "But knowing Martingale as I do, I think you may safely count upon him coming back a brigadier."

"No," he said, with a start, "not—not that; although, of course, no one would be more delighted than I at the lad's success." He made a clucking noise of irritation. "There I go, you see," he said, "like a silly old fool! 'The *lad*,' I said! How can I, I ask you, possibly refer to a brigadier—or even a colonel—as 'the lad,' even if he does happen to be in my employ? How can I ever get back on the old terms with him? That's what is troubling me, old friend. Heaven knows I am fully conscious of all that he has been to me in the business for years, but—after all, it is *my* business, and there are certain things which I simply *must* tell him to do."

"Of course," said I. "But what of it?"

He flung out his hands in a pathetic gesture of despair. "My dear fellow," he said, "can you imagine me—*me*—giving orders to a colonel—or a major—even if he did once happen to be my office boy? Especially a man who has seen what he has seen and done what he has done! My *dear* fellow! A man who has held the power of life and death over his fellow-countrymen—who has killed and been present at the killing of other men. Why, I shall be positively *afraid* of him in any case. As for giving him orders——." He helped himself to another glass of wine.

"And yet," he continued, wistfully, "his place is



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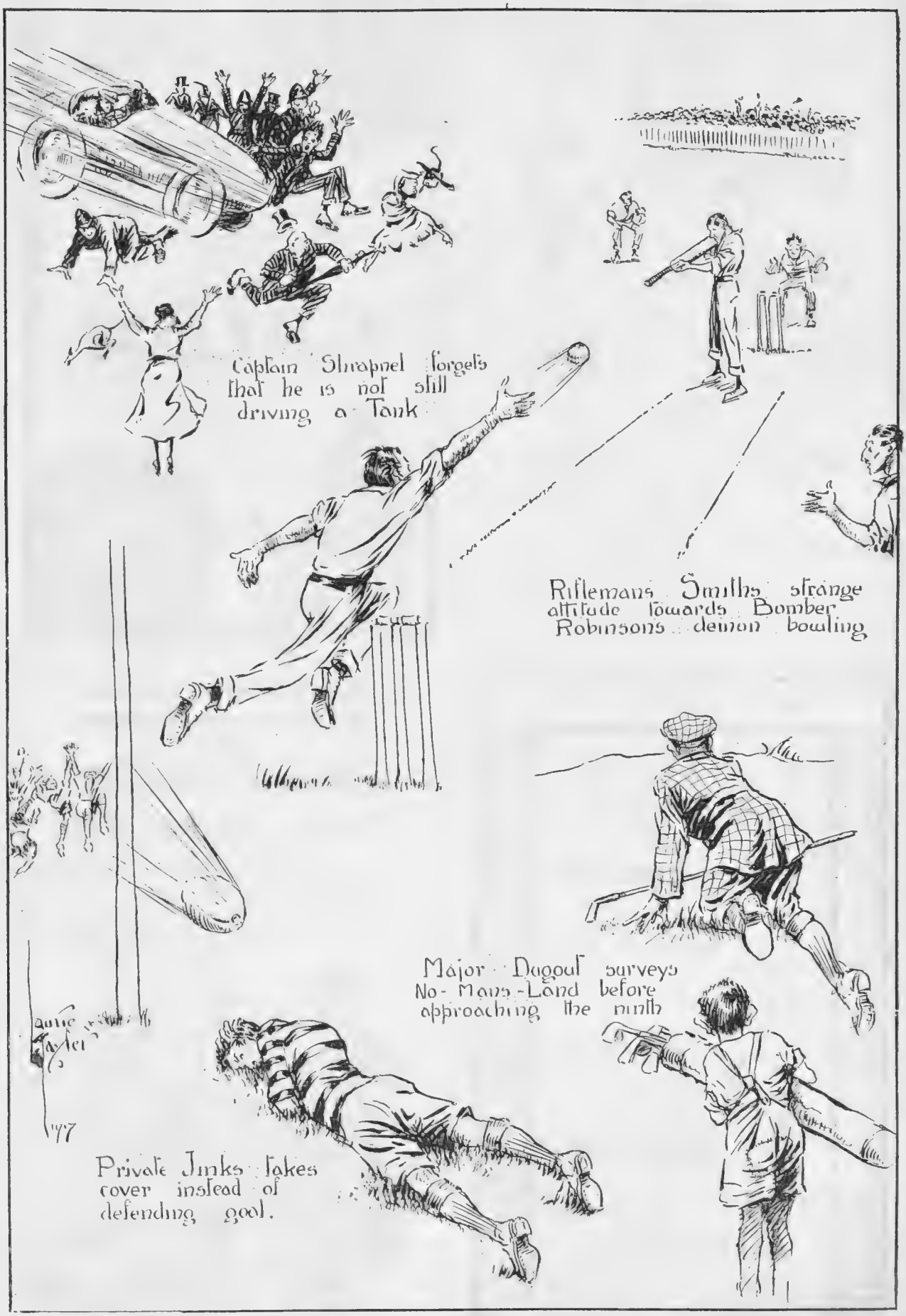

—And how they may be played by those upon whose minds military tactics, both offensive and defensive, have taken a strong hold

BYSTANDER SHORT STORY (concluded)

in the business—he knows it in and out; he *belongs* to it. It is his real career, after all. This war, for all its gilded opportunities—for all its glories—is only a matter of the moment. Military titles will fall into disuse, ribbons tarnish, and heroes be forgotten; but my poor, miserable little business up a rickety staircase in a crooked City lane—this small traffic in ships which I, mysteriously, have been able to build up—will go on and endure, perhaps for centuries. That is a funny thought, isn't it?"

"Yes," I said, "it is." We were both silent for a while, and then I added, softly: "Your son, if he had grown up, would have had a fine inheritance. You would not have needed Martingale then. He could have carried on the business—and the name."

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"Quite so," said I; "but whom will you show, and what will you show him?"

"Why," he cried, "this fellow Martingale, of course. I've found the solution—it came to me just now, all of a sudden. I—I'm not afraid of him any more. If he were to walk in here this very minute I'd slap him on the back, even if he were a brigadier I—I'd be quite *free* with him. I'd meet him as an equal, I would really."

"Well, it's a great change," I said; "but how has it come about?"

"A—ah," he said, "that's my secret—for the moment." To my amazement he ordered another bottle of wine.

Five minutes later he half rose in his chair, and in a new strong, unfamiliar voice said: "I want you to drink to the firm—the, ah! new firm, my boy—Bungay and Martingale!" LEWIS ROSE MACLEOD

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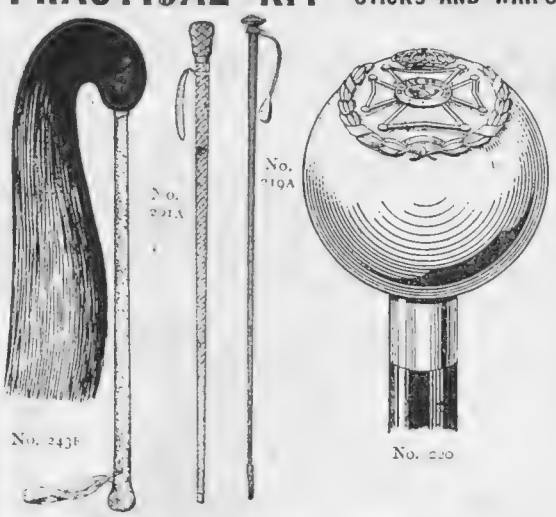

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The First Shock

IT seemed to me that I had just arrived from some far country—South America, I think—eager to observe the effects of peace. At first nothing unusual struck the eye, then I became aware that the stalwart young porters running to and fro with their trucks were women. So were the Customs officers. A female engine-driver hung out of the cab of the waiting train, wiping her fingers on a wad of grimy cotton waste; a lady guard superciliously looked at my ticket, and directed me to a numbered seat. There were not many passengers, and I had the compartment to myself until at the first stop two manly young girls invaded my compartment.

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Men's Rights

ONE was dark and the other fair, and they were dressed in breeches with a sort of jacket-coat, over which spread the frilled collar of a silk shirt. One of them politely asked me if I objected to smoking, and forthwith both produced small pipes from their pockets, which they filled and lit. They took no further notice of me, and engaged in conversation. The subject was some difficulty in their Trade Union. I gathered that there was a question whether men should be admitted. The dark girl said "No." If men were to be let in it would lower the standard of wages and

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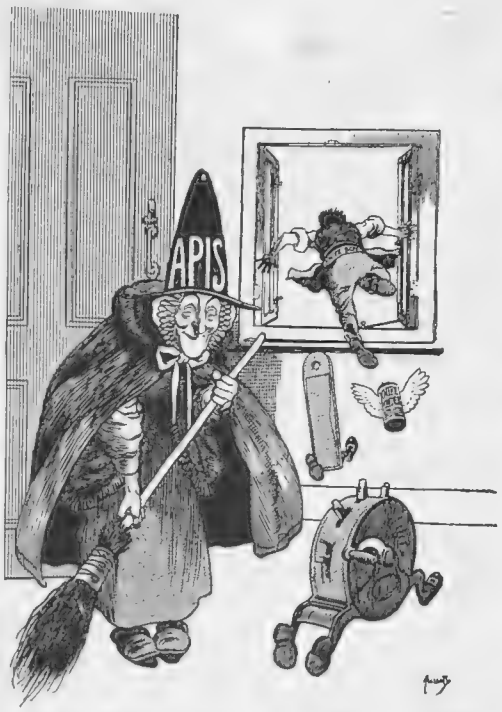

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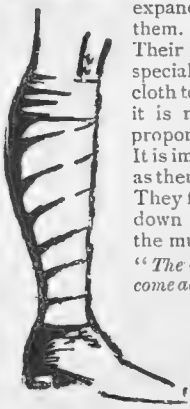

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"After all," said she, "we must not forget that they fought quite well during the war."

"But this is peace," replied her friend firmly.

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The Marriage Question

PRESENTLY they drifted to a more personal affair.

"When are you going to be married, Mary?" asked the blond charmer.

"I don't know. Not till I get another rise, anyhow. I hate to keep the poor boy waiting so long, but you know what expensive tastes he has. It costs me more than I can afford now to give him sweets and take him to a cinema several times a week. Besides, he's no good at cooking and doesn't like housework so unless I can keep a man-of-all work I shouldn't be as comfortable as I am now, with father and the boys to look after me. To tell the truth, I am in no particular hurry. Every girl ought to have her fling before settling down. Look at poor old Jane! She married young, her husband's a regular slattern, and now she spends all her evenings at the pub. She'll lose her job before long, if she doesn't watch out. What about yourself?"

"A female bishop"

"Oh," said the other girl, "I can't make up my mind. I like Jim well enough, but he's troublesome. Doesn't want me to take another boy out or even look at one. I can't be tied down like that. He doesn't even want me to go to a game of a Saturday afternoon—says I'm neglecting him. I won't marry a nagging man or one that wants to keep me tied to his apron string. It isn't good enough."

⁂ ⁂

A World of Women

MARY knocked out her pipe and took a newspaper from her pocket; the other damsel manicured her nails in silence. I turned my attention to the countryside. I saw women working in the fields, women driving motor-cars and lorries along the road, women building houses and quarrying stone. Occasionally there were a few men, walking leisurely with sunshades held

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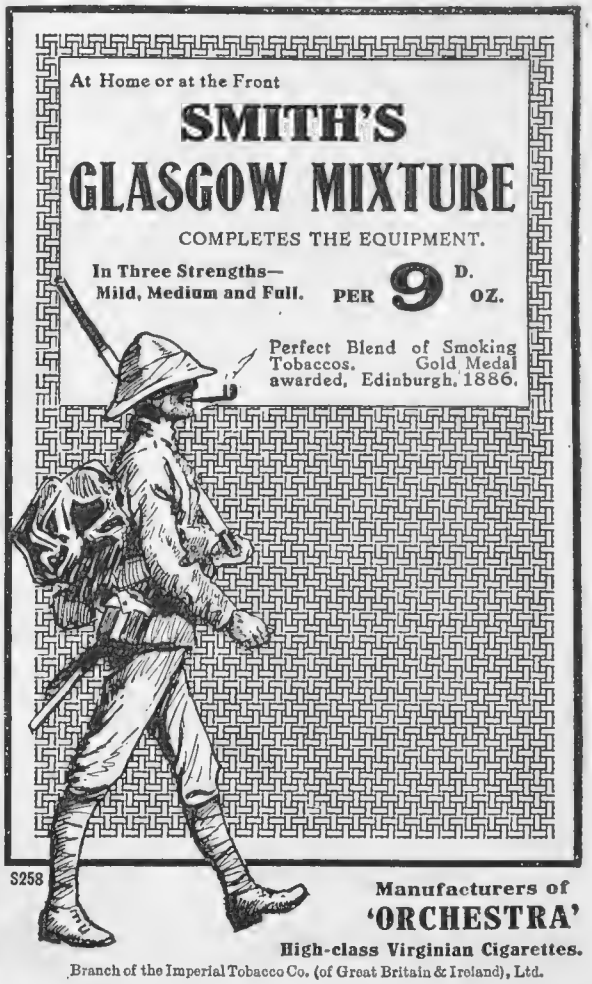

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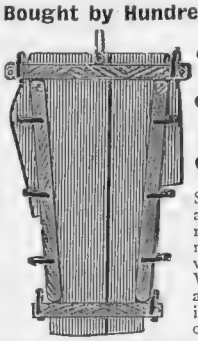

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It is a curious but obvious fact that in some countries women seem to wrinkle far more and at an earlier age than in others. England and America are amongst the former, whereas in Japan one practically never sees a woman with lines or wrinkles, however old she is. Often and often I have wondered why this should be so, but I could discover no explanation until recently, when I was talking with a dear little Japanese lady, whose name were I to mention it (which I mustn't) you would all know, and she taught me the secret of how her dainty countrywomen in the Land of the Rising Sun always keep their complexions so lovely and soft and smooth. She showed me how, at the first sign of a line or wrinkle they immediately remove it by a secret process all their own, and which is known as the "Miyako" method.

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"WOMAN AFTER THE WAR" (*concluded*)

over their smiling faces, or driving light runabouts. I saw boys and some young men picking fruit, but all the hard work was done by women. In fact, it seemed to be a world of women.

⁂ ⁂

Women, Women Everywhere

IN London it was the same. A woman taxi-driver took me to my hotel. Policewomen directed the traffic. Business women hurried to and from their offices. I passed women plumbers, women masons, women gasfitters and electricians carrying the implements of their trade. Stout females presided over butchers' shops, and women commissionaires adorned with medals stood outside hotels and large buildings. Women lawyers came in and out of the Law Courts, and in Westminster I saw a group of women M.P.'s arguing with a female bishop in sedate apron and gaiters.

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The Pampered Male

THERE were plenty of men about. The fashionable shopping districts were thronged with luxuriously dressed young men, some on foot, some in beautifully appointed motor-cars attended by smart chauffeuses and footwomen. Many of the men carried

"Policewomen marshalled the excited crowd"

or led Pekinese dogs. At one large shop where a sale was in progress several policewomen marshalled the excited crowd of male bargain-hunters. There were stout old men chaperoning their young sons, and in the parks male nurses wheeled their charges and held sweet converse with strapping Guardswomen clad in khaki. Coquettish youths served in the teashops.

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The Beauty Chorus

QUEUES of eager women besieged the booking-offices of theatres where posters advertised the attractions of a male beauty chorus. Stationers' windows displayed photographs of stage favourites; young gentlemen wearing toothsome smiles, some of them taken in their country homes, playing coyly with their dogs and babies. Lady-barbers shaved their clients, and a lady-dentist tinkered with my teeth. I marvelled greatly. This was not the England I had known. It might be a better one, but——. A knock on the door broke the thread of my imaginings. I opened sleepy eyes, expecting to see a young man in cap and apron—but it was only the maid.

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From the "Times"

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From the Only Newspaper that Won the War

WE are a curious nation. In spite of the fact that we have for the last four months been insisting almost daily on the need for compulsory cricket for all fit men, the Government shows no signs of conforming with the expressed wish of the people. We say that the voluntary system will not do. It has been tried over and over again. If we are to win the test match with Iceland next year, General Pelham Warner must have the men. Not only that, but he must have sufficient time in which to train them—to weed out those who, maybe, can only assist him in the scoring-box or the pavilion, or in the less interesting, though very necessary, task of preparing the pitch. And let there be no mistake. We shall want every fit man in the country. It is well known that the lawn tennis clubs are sheltering any number of athletic young men who might be better employed elsewhere. They must be driven out of their funk-holes —and at once. The cricket of to-day, although some of the old-timers do not seem to realise it, is utterly unlike anything that ever happened before. It is no longer the work of a few professionals—splendid though they were—it requires the active participation of the whole nation; and if we are to maintain our international prestige we must win. We must win so handsomely—by an innings if we can—that no Icelandic team will ever again think it worth while to spend so many years in arduous and secret preparation to attain world-power in what must for ever remain our own most national and distinctive game R. S.

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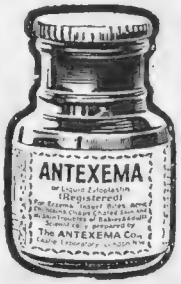

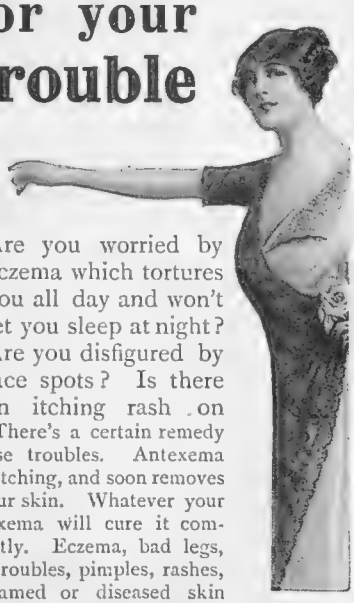

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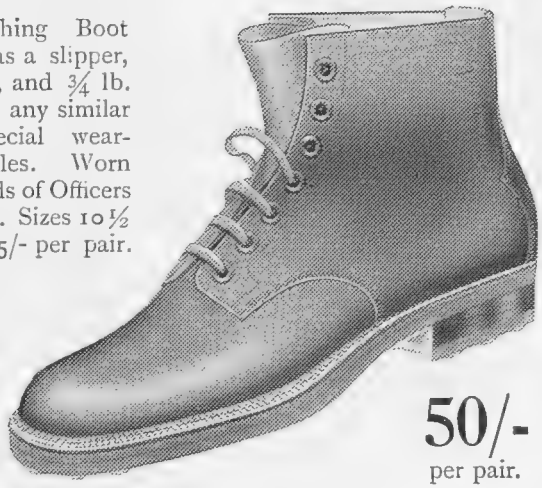

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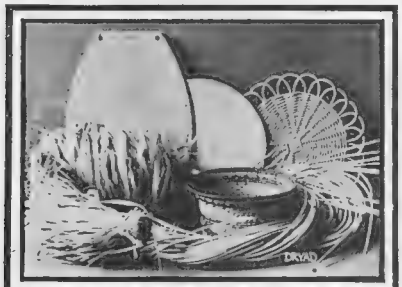

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No Average Change

But I will risk this one prophecy, at any rate. The average car of the first several post-war years will bear such a surprising resemblance to the average car of the last ante-war years that it will take a large-sized expert to discover the difference. That will not prevent the expert from delivering dissertations of columns length upon the difference. He would do that if the difference merely amounted to a coat of paint and a new design in axle-caps, because that is his nature, and even experts have to live; but having reached a stage where average efficiency has found expression through an average design, it is as certain as anything can well be that we shall not waste a great deal of time experimenting with variations from the average during the first few years of peace—first, because our main concern must necessarily be to overtake whatever arrears there may be to overtake, so that we may get back quickly, and as near as possible, to the position occupied before the war; and, secondly, because we shall (or should) be much more occupied with factory organisation and output than with changing the essentials of a product which we have satisfied ourselves delivers a good average of efficiency.

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Here space suddenly closes against me, leaving nothing for it except a "to be continued in our next" ending. For which unseemly finish blame the Paper Controller

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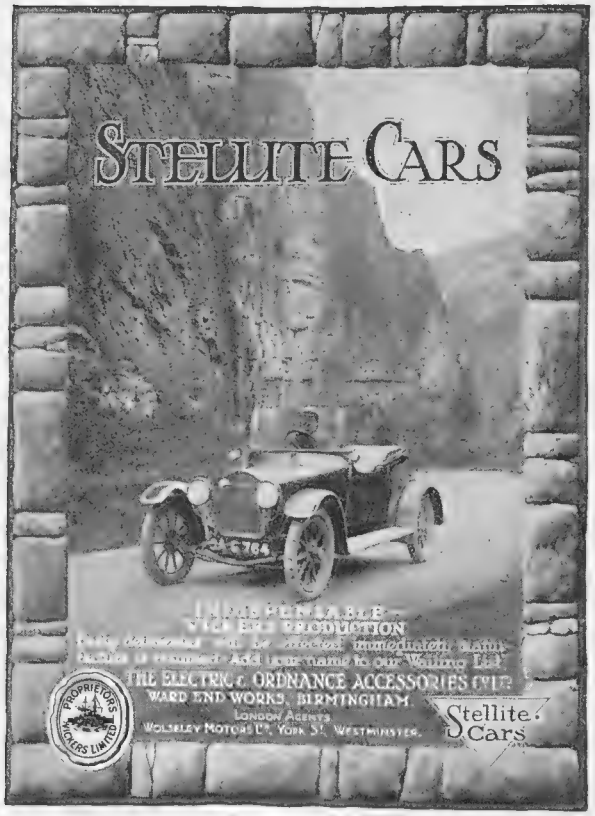

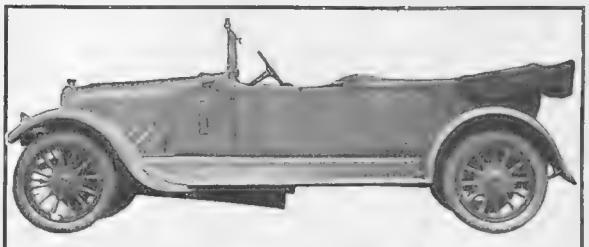

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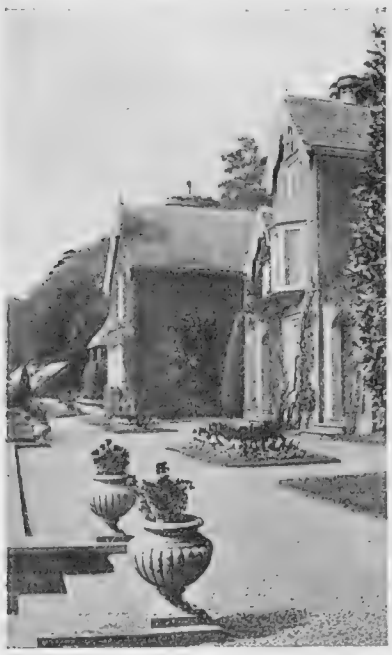

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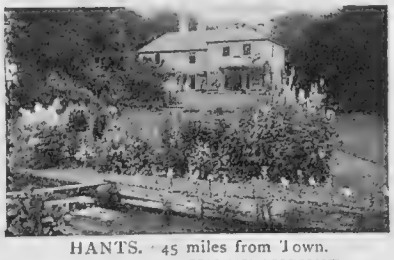

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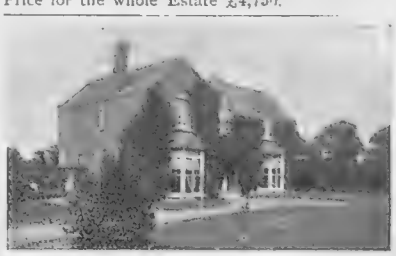

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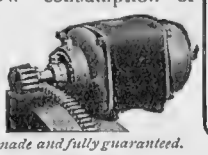

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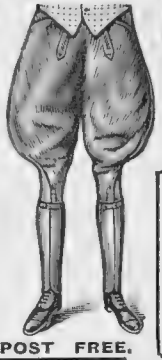

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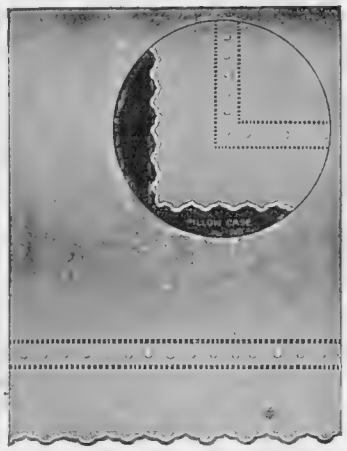

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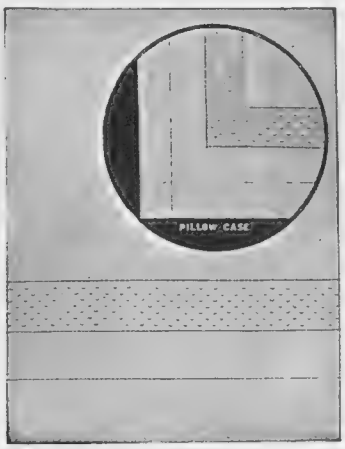

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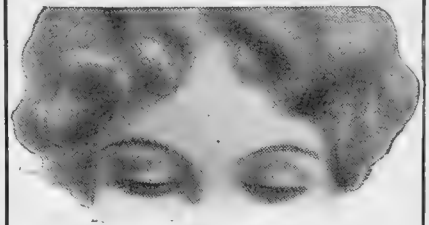

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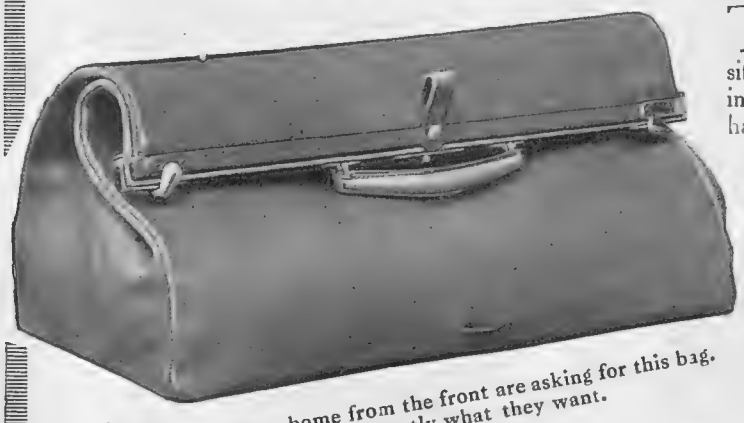

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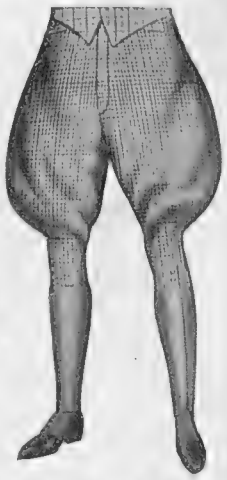

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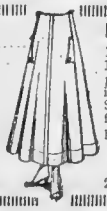

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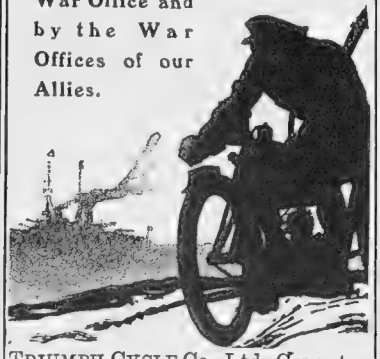

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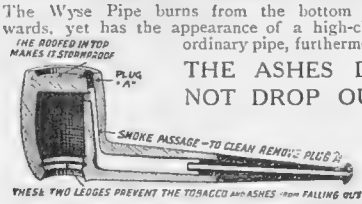

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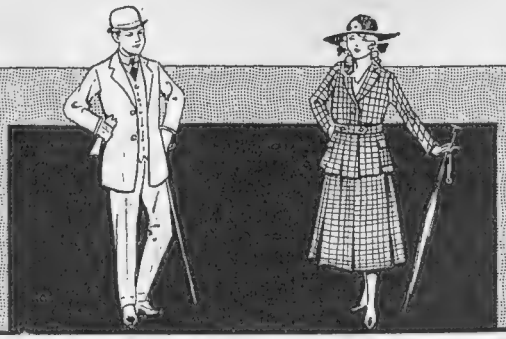

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TALKING over the blouse and jumper situation with a noted authority the other day, I gathered that although the demand for ordinary shirt blouses remains fairly steady, the boom in jumpers is something astounding. Jumpers in cotton *crêpe*, jumpers in *crêpe de Chine* and tussore, jumpers in *ninon*, brocade, and *charmeuse* are in equal request. Naturally, with so ubiquitous a fancy, fastidious minds are desirous of securing something exclusive in construction and expression, and nothing contributes more successfully to this end than original embroideries and colour schemes.

Bought "off the peg," so to speak, the jumper is already beginning to pall, and it requires some such originality as the model sketched to quicken the senses to a full and perfect appreciation of a vogue that for adaptability and charm has never been surpassed. Champagne *crêpe de Chine* is the material employed, this providing an effective background for the chainette embroidery carried out in delicate Lancret blue, a chain of amber beads giving a final touch of much persuasion to the charming scheme. A sort of plastron effect characterises the front, and at the same time affords opportunity for the necessary opening, while another feature of the design to be noted with particular interest is the three-quarter length straight sleeve, with its infinitesimal "belled" base.

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AN ORIGINAL JUMPER
Of champagne crêpe de Chine with amber bead chain and Lancret blue embroidery

FASHION'S FANCIES (continued)

Mr. Hughes is likewise much concerned in devising and building the very smartest little coat-frocks. These he commences in navy serge at 4 guineas, and in gab cloth at 4½ guineas, while to meet immediate summer needs dainty silk dresses and blouses form a further attraction at 10, Maddox Street, the prices with these, as the tailor-mades, being extremely low. When a personal visit is impossible clients may rest perfectly well assured that equally good results will be attained by Mr. Hughes in making from self-measurements. Provided the latter are correct, there need be no fears of any description. Mr. Hughes is too sure of his art for that.

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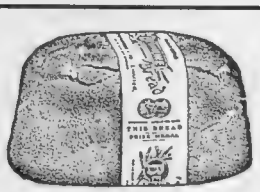

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Have ready about ½ lb. of nicely flavoured vegetable purée—spinach, cabbage, carrot, turnip, and some tomato, fresh or tinned. Then put one gill of water and 1 oz. of butter into a pan, with a pinch of salt. Directly this boils, stir in 1 oz. of flour, stirring it well with a wooden spoon for two or three minutes, put in the purée, and just remove the pan for a little, add the yolks of two eggs one at a time, and one whole egg, and finally the whites of two eggs, beaten to a stiff froth. Have ready a papered soufflé-dish, fill it three-quarters of the way up, bake it in a hot oven for ten minutes, and serve at once, removing the paper and wiping the dish. If this soufflé is kept waiting it will fall and become tough, so must be served directly it is taken out of the oven.

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Cook ½ lb. of haricot beans in stock or water, and flavour with an onion, salt, and pepper, and a pinch of carbonate of soda. Strain the beans when they are soft (I always cook them for about two hours), put them into a basin, and stir them with a wooden spoon until they are quite soft and broken, mix with them about two tablespoonfuls of breadcrumbs, a well-beaten egg, and a little milk to bind. Next whisk up stiffly the white of an egg, and stir into the above. Put some frying fat into a pan and when quite hot, with a blue flame, drop in a tablespoonful at a time of the bean mixture, fry until a golden colour, then drain. Garnish with fried parsley, and serve hot.

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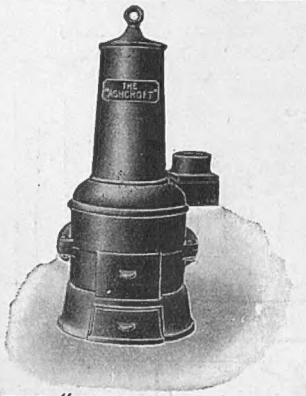

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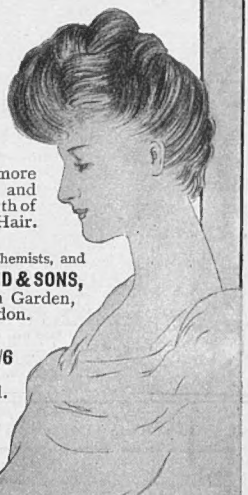

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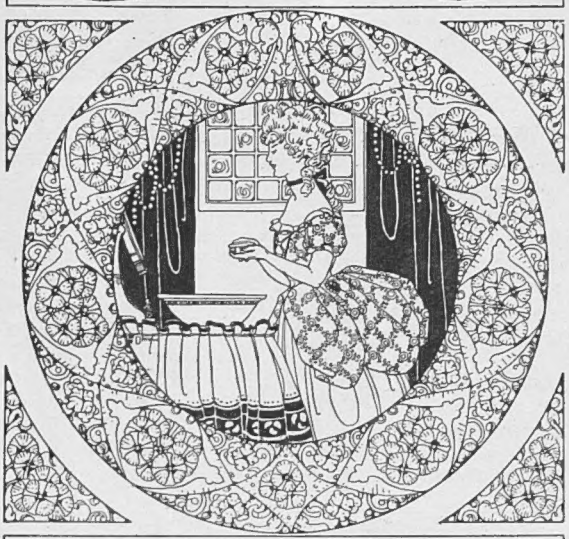

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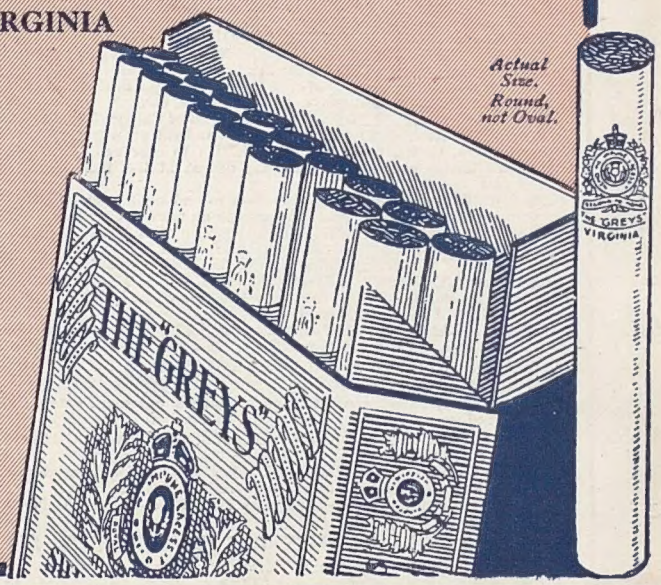

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